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THE CANTON COUP.

DID CHANG KAI-SHEK EXCEED HIS DUTY?

WANG CHING-WAI LEAVES.

Varied, and, in some respects, conflicting reports are to hand regarding the actual outcome of General Chang Kai-shek's coup in Canton. One of these states that, owing to the urgency of the situation, General Chang acted without Government authority, and that he has since petitioned the Military Council asking that he be punished for infringing the law.

Another report is to the effect that the General, after stating that he would rather sacrifice the Government than allow Russians to remain in its service, sent in his resignation, but that the Government has not accepted it and has decided to punish the conspirators arrested by General Chang, even to the extent of deporting a number of Russian officers. From another source, however, it is said that the arrested Russians and strike pickets have been released.

Mr. Wang Ching-wai, Chairman of the Government, is said to have left for Shanghai, General Tan Yen-kai having been appointed to act in his place.

With regard to the report that he had infringed the law by carrying out the coup without authority, the following petition, said to have been sent to the Military Council, asking for punishment, is attributed to General Chang Kai-shek:

"On March 18 at 4 p.m., the gunboat, Chung Shan which is under the control of the Navy Department, arrived at Whampoa and anchored off the Central Military Academy. They notified the Director of Education, Tang Yen-tai, that the boat was despatched by General Chang Kai-shek and that they were awaiting his further orders.

"At that time I was in Canton, and when I received the above report I was quite astonished, because I did not give such an order and also there was no mistake made in the despatch of orders. The gunboat got up steam during the night and at midnight of the 19th instant steamed back to Canton, where without any reason the gunboat still kept up steam until day-break.

"For the purpose of preventing any trouble, and for the sake of the party and country, I was at that time compelled to act immediately and settle the case as quickly as possible. On the one hand I ordered comrade Au Yang-ka, vice-president of the Navy Academy, to undertake the administration of the navy temporarily and on the other hand ordered Li Chi-lung, the acting director of the Navy Department, to be detained. In addition troops were despatched to protect Canton so as to prevent any unexpected trouble.

"Fortunately everything was successfully carried out, and soon peace and order was restored; but as this matter needed immediate attention I therefore was unable to report the matter to the Nationalist Government beforehand. I may be accused for having infringed the law, and for this reason I petition you to impose a strict punishment, so as to uphold law and discipline.—CHANG KAI-SHEK."

THE ARRESTS.

Further information regarding the situation arising out of the coup carried out by General Chang Kai-shek states that there are at present two schools of political thought in Canton, one being represented by the Young Men's Association (comprising many extremists) and the other by the Society of Sun Yat-senism, of which General Chang Kai-shek is the patron. It is said that this latter organization brought to the notice of General Chang the existence of a conspiracy against him, in which naval forces, the Russians and members of the Strike Union were engaged; and that this resulted in General Chang carrying out his coup. One report says that nearly forty Chinese Communists were arrested, many of whom were pickets dismissed

SLANDERERS REBUKED BY PREACHER.

CATHOLIC FATHER SPEAKS OUT.

DANCING DENOUNCED.

"Some of us could not use our tongues except to the detriment of others," said the Rev. Fr. Schmidt, S.J., when preaching last evening at the Roman Catholic Cathedral on the fifth day of his Lenten Mission. The Cathedral was again crowded to overflowing.

The preacher was touching upon present-day social conditions and the problems of marital separation and divorce, as to which, he said, the responsibility in no small measure had rested on the gossips, whose time had been given to the broadcasting of slander and calumny. He reminded those that "whom God hath joined together, let no man put asunder."

The theme elaborated by the preacher was carried further with a rebuke on the younger generation, whose present-day tendency was to disregard the counsels and fret against the restrictions of their elders. Because the latter, being fully aware of the pitfalls that were of the Devil's devising, had kept them away from dances that were immoral, they were looked upon by the younger generation as being "old-fashioned."

Given ample opportunities to own up to the error of their ways, continued the speaker, some had lacked in manliness, and when too late to make their peace with God, they cast about for a means of whitewashing themselves. It was too late then to have said that "my brother had told me to do it," "My friend had told me to do this," or that "My cousin had told me to do that."

CUBICLE FIGHT.

"DESPICABLE SCOUNDREL" FINED.

Two Chinese, a man and woman, were brought before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning, on charges of assaulting an old man and woman.

The trouble first started when the defendants rented a cubicle from the complainants who summoned them in Court for non-payment of rent. When the parties returned home, it was alleged that the lodgers assaulted the complainants, and the woman is said to have remarked that it was better to ask for death than rent. It was stated that as a result of the assault, the old man was sent to hospital, and the case was last week adjourned for him to attend.

At the conclusion of the case, Mr. Lindsell expressed his opinion of the woman as a despicable scoundrel, and sent her to prison for five weeks, as she had already been detained for one week. The male defendant was fined \$20 or two weeks.

FRENCH ELECTIONS.

COMMUNISTS GET SEATS.

Paris, March 28.

Two Communists have been returned to parliament in a by-election in the second sector of Paris. The Radical-Socialist Executive urged its candidates to withdraw in favour of the Communists.—*Reuter.*

at the present juncture is regarded in some quarters as possessing considerable significance. It is stated that Mr. Maurice Cohen, former personal bodyguard to the late Dr. Sun, is also in the Colony.

PROVIDENT CO.

INVESTIGATION OF FINANCES.

MEETING CALLED.

The affairs of the China Provident, Loan and Mortgage Co., Ltd., have recently been the subject of investigation by the Company's Consulting Committee, aided by auditors and legal advisers, this fact being revealed by a notice circulated to shareholders, calling an extraordinary general meeting of the Company for Thursday, April 8th. Power is to be asked at this meeting to carry out further investigations, together with authority to meet the cost of same.

The notice of the extraordinary general meeting sets forth the business in the following manner:

1. To receive and consider a statement by the Consulting Committee as to investigations made by them into the financial position of the Company.

2. To consider and if thought fit to pass the following resolutions as ordinary resolutions:—

(a) That the Company confirms the measures already taken by the Consulting Committee with reference to the investigations made by them into the financial position of the Company and authorizes payment by the Company of auditors and legal expenses incurred to date in connection therewith.

(b) That three shareholders to be nominated at this present meeting be appointed to act with the Consulting Committee in completing the investigations of the Company's financial affairs and to report to the shareholders the result of such investigations when completed.

(c) That the Consulting Committee be authorized to employ auditors and lawyers in connection with such further investigations of the Company's financial affairs and that the costs and expenses incurred thereby be borne and paid by the Company.

(d) That a qualified accountant be employed by the Company to assist and advise the present staff of the Company.

KOWLOON CYCLISTS.

BATCH BEFORE THE COURT.

There was again a large batch of Chinese youths before the Kowloon Magistrate this morning, on various charges of breaches of the traffic regulations whilst riding bicycles in different parts of the peninsula.

In the majority of the cases the delinquents were charged, with riding on the wrong side of the road and on admitting their offences were each mulcted in fines of \$5.

In the case of one defendant, it was stated in evidence that the accused, who was seen to be riding without the use of his hands, refused to stop when accosted by a Sergeant.

His Worship warned the defendant of the danger of such a practice and imposed a fine of \$10.

LEAGUE COUNCIL.

LORD CECIL TO REPRESENT BRITAIN.

Rugby, March 28, Lord Cecil will probably represent Britain on the Special Committee set up by the League of Nations' Council at its last meeting to study the problems connected with the competition, number and method of election of its members. The Committee will meet at Geneva, on May 10th.—*British Wireless.*

MAGISTRATE CENSURES PAWNBROKERS.

THREAT OF CANCELLED LICENCES.

WORSE THAN THIEVES.

Several pawnbrokers were censured by Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning, during the hearing of a case in which a Chinese youth of sixteen was charged with the larceny of three articles of cloth. The complainant is the uncle of the defendant, and a master tailor at 211, Queen's Road West.

Inspector P. Grant stated the articles had been traced to various pawnshops, and only trifling amounts had been given for material of considerable value. The master of the Shung Lee shop, 260, Queen's Road West, had only given \$2.85 for silk garments worth \$30. In the case of the Wing Cheong shop, 412, Queen's Road West, the master had given 80 cents for material worth \$18.

The shop masters were called up, and not being able to give satisfactory explanations, especially as Mr. Lindsell pointed out, when they were taken by a youth, they were severely reprimanded. Mr. Lindsell remarked they had taken stolen goods and acted worse than thieves, and if any more such cases were brought before him, he would recommend that their licences be cancelled.

The complainant agreed to take the defendant back, and he was ordered to receive eight strokes with the birch. Mr. Lindsell further ordered that the goods be returned without being redeemed, but in the case of one shop which had given a fair price, redemption would have to be paid.

THIEVES BUSY.

YESTERDAY'S HAULS.

Several robberies are reported as having occurred yesterday.

The manager of the China and Mercantile Company, Ltd., reports that sometime between March 23rd, and 28th five rolls of artificial silk were stolen from the building. The value is estimated at \$403.

A pearlambulator valued at \$90, has been stolen from the porch of 3, Armand Buildings, Kowloon. It was the property of Mrs. Jordana.

Clothing, money and jewellery to the value of \$162 has been stolen from an unnumbered house in Temple Street, Yau-mai, the property of a Chinese widow.

Clothing to the value of \$81.20 has been stolen from the Government Marine Surveyor's Office, Government Building.

A Chinese contractor has reported that whilst playing billiards at the Chung Shing Charity Club, 188, Des Voeux Road Central, a sum of \$200 was stolen from his jacket pocket.

Captain Williams, of the Royal Fleet oiler, "Thinia," has reported to the police that on March 26th three iron pull blocks, valued at \$102, were stolen.

GAMBLING RAIDS.

MANY ARRESTS LAST NIGHT.

As the result of two raids carried out by police officers last evening, a number of Chinese appeared as defendants before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning.

At 14, Tai Wo Street, second floor, ten people were arrested, but only seven men and two women appeared in court. At 19, Anton Street twenty men and three women were arrested. Eleven were absent in court. They were all charged with gambling, and one defendant from each house was also charged with keeping a gambling house.

After evidence had been given, Mr. Lindsell said it was not strong enough to convict on the charge of keeping houses, and the defendants present would be fined \$4 each. The absent ones, among whom was a man named Francis Roza, were on bail of \$5 and this was estimated.

DOCK CO.'S AFFAIRS.

COMMITTEE OF SHAREHOLDERS INVESTIGATING.

YEAR'S HEAVY LOSS.

A Committee of four shareholders to investigate whether the business could be run more economically has been "willingly appointed" by the Directors of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Limited, in consequence of a request by a number of shareholders.

The Company last year suffered a loss of over \$450,000, which was met by calling on the Reserve Fund to the extent of half a million dollars, it was announced at the ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders held this morning. The scheme for the building of a new and bigger dock has been postponed for the time being.

Mr. Kelly Sayce, offered criticism of the expenditure of over \$5,000,000 during a period of depression on what he described as "unproductive buildings" and, replying, the Chairman pointed out that Mr. Sayce was one of the gentlemen who urged the Committee of Investigation, and suggested that until their report was received, there should be no talk of mismanagement.

Mr. D. G. M. Bernard occupied the chair, and there were also present: Sir Robert Ho Tung, Mr. H. P. White, Mr. T. G. Weall, Mr. Allan Cameron (directors), Mr. R. M. Dyer, B. Sc., M. I. N. A., (Chief Manager), Mr. A. L. Hosie, C. A., (Secretary), Messrs. Ho Leung, Kelly Sayce, J. M. Alves, N. V. A. Croucher, Li Tse-fong, Chiu Yue-teng, R. E. Desai, I. S. Perry, G. W. Sewell, A. O. Lang, E. Abraham, C. A. da Roza, E. M. Raymond, and P. M. N. da Silva (shareholders).

CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH.

The Chief Manager having read the notice convening the meeting, the Chairman said:—*"Gentlemen, the report and accounts having been in your possession for the past ten days, I will with your permission follow the usual procedure and take them as read."*

The shipbuilding industry all over the world has, as you are all aware, been passing through a very depressed period and only a minimum of orders for new ships have been placed. Here we have had to contend with this world-wide situation and also with the strike of labour last year which lasted for several months and the boycott which is still with us. The effects of these last two circumstances have hit this Company harder perhaps than any other entirely local Company.

We started the year fairly well and had three new vessels under construction. With a small profit for the first six months working we were looking forward to a moderately successful year when the troubles to which I have referred began. A working nucleus of our Chinese artisans, to whom we are very grateful, stayed with us and I venture to think that it was in a measure due to the loyalty of these men in sticking to their work in spite of intimidation that the labour troubles of this Colony both industrial and domestic were overcome. Unfortunately, however, a great number of our essential men absented themselves. The result of these labour troubles was to drive repair work away from this port, and to delay and thus very considerably increase the cost of any new construction we had in hand. This new work, though it has not been profitable, we were fortunate in having, as it kept the nucleus I have referred to employed during the months in which there was little else for them to do, and let the outside world know that we were still alive and a going concern.

SCHEME POSTPONED.

With reference to the construction of the proposed 1,200-foot dry dock, to which my predecessor in the chair referred last year, some of you will doubtless wish to know how the matter now stands. The new pump house fitted with electrically driven pumps which is common to our present No. 1 Dock and the proposed dock is now complete and has been in action since the end of September, with a considerable resultant economy in the cost of

SHAREHOLDERS' INVESTIGATION.

There has been a feeling amongst a number of shareholders that the Company's business could be run more economically, and this culminated a few months ago in a letter addressed to the Directors asking for the appointment of a Committee of shareholders to inquire into the working of the Company. The Directors welcomed the proposal and gladly responded to the request. A Committee of four shareholders was appointed and has commenced its investigation. When their report is received the Directors will give any recommendations they make the fullest consideration and I hope this may be the means of producing more efficiency in working and economy in operation. I may say, however, that this problem of efficiency and economy is one that is constantly engaging the attention of our Chief Manager and Directors.

Some of you may remember that our Chief Manager, Mr. Dyer, came out here originally nearly 20 years ago for the purpose of investigating the work of the Company which was then in a moribund condition. Being appointed Chief Manager, he set to work and by his foresight, energy and whole-hearted devotion to the Company he has steadily built up the organization until we are now assured by the best authorities that our shipbuilding can compare favourably for quality and workmanship with that produced by any other countries. I mention this as I trust that shareholders will not merely because of a temporary setback to our progress, desire to curtail, and I am sure they will not, the activities of the Company in such a way as to react against it when things improve.

The improvements made in the Company's buildings and plant during the past few years have reduced maintenance, and the cost of consumable stores in working expenses down to about a minimum and the only problem we have to face in very dull times is that of our staff, both European and Chinese.

I am, however, absolutely certain that the Company is in a position to meet any crisis that may arise, and I am sure that the shareholders will be satisfied with the results of the investigation.

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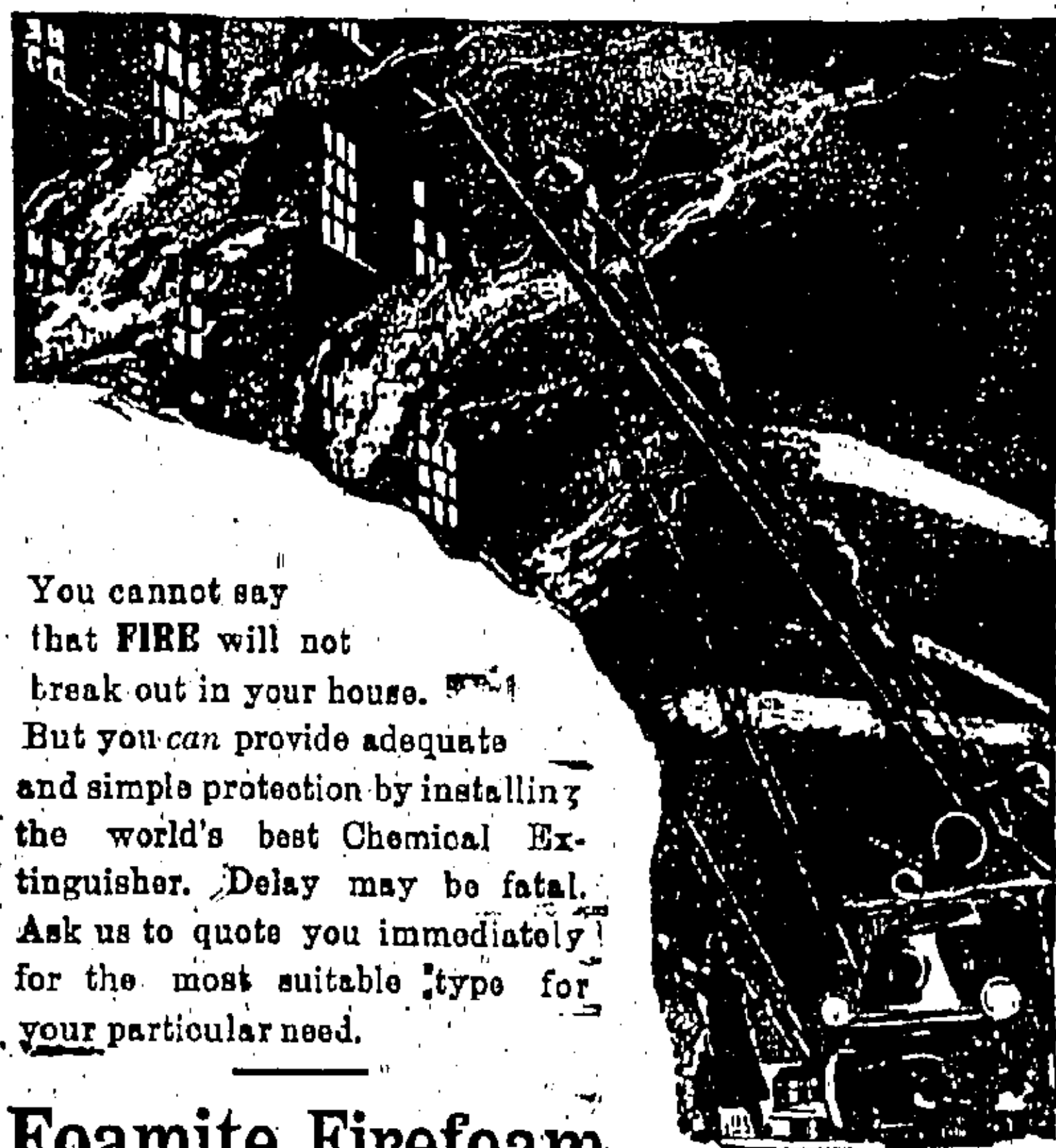
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LARGELY-ATTENDED
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The high esteem in which the late Mrs. J. H. Taggart was held by the whole community was eloquently demonstrated at the funeral, which took place at the Roman Catholic Cemetery, Happy Valley, last evening. Despite the inclement weather there was an attendance of several hundreds, including many ladies, whilst the route from the cemetery entrance to the chapel, where the first part of the service was conducted, was lined on both sides by beautiful floral tributes. The obsequies were conducted by the Very Rev. Father Robert, assisted by the Rev. Father G. M. Spada and a supplied choir.

The entire European and Chinese staffs of the Hongkong, Repulse Bay and Peak Hotels, as well as those connected with the garages, were present.

The chief mourner was Mr. J. H. Taggart, and others present included Mr. J. Scott Harston, the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, Mr. E. M. Raymond (Directors of the Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels), Mr. W. J. Hawker (Manager), Mr. J. P. Bourne (Hotels Superintendent), Mr. F. C. Barry (accountant), Dr. and Mrs. H. A. Bales, the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, Mrs. E. M. Raymond, Lady Stuart Taylor, Miss Bain, Miss Helen Harry, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Smith, Mrs. and Mrs. Sutterle of Shanghai, Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe (Captain-Superintendent of Police), Mr. C. D. Melbourne, the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang, Mr. N. Croucher, Dr. and Mrs. Koch, Chief Inspector W. Kent, Messrs. P. I. Newman, W. J. Burling, U. Omar, T. R. Parsons, C. E. White, W. W. Hirst, Nowell-White, G. Grimble, W. D. Goodfellow, A. Hicks, R. M. Omar, Ho Leung, J. H. Seth, H. Seth, W. A. Eustace, S. J. Hicks (Shanghai), Fung Tak-hung, F. Ellis, J. M. Noronha, C. P. Anderson, P. K. Kwok and many others.

There was a wealth of floral tributes, the wreaths numbering approximately four hundred, and reaching to a height of about six feet when placed on the grave. Owing to the rain it is impossible to give a complete list of the wreaths sent, as many of the names on the cards were obliterated.

The wreaths of Mr. Taggart, deceased's son, and Mr. and Mrs. H. Birkett, were lowered into the grave.

Other tributes were sent by the following:

The Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, Mr. J. Scott Harston, Mr. R. G. Shewan, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Raymond, Messrs. A. H. Barlow, W. J. Hawker, J. P. Bourne, P. I. Newman, J. E. Hawker, J. D. Humphreys, C. M. McDonald, D. E. Cappleman, H. S. Bennett, F. K. Tommy, L. Friedman, C. D. Robertson, E. C. Rock, R. C. Xavier, G. C. Mokor, Vivian Benjamin, G. W. Dudley, J. L. Sheppard, A. K. Dimond, J. J. Bourne, Y. Houghling, H. A. Allen, G. H. Potts and P. C. Potts, C. D. Melbourne, F. M. Macintosh, P. J. Mandelli, P. F. Mandelli, P. K. Kwok, F. Boss (Peking), J. H. Ramsay, V. Kookel, S. M. Churn, J. R. Chickgar, W. D. Goodfellow, F. C. Barry, B. Santos, J. E. Mackenzie, C. G. Conley, (Shanghai), B. L. Frost, H. F. Summers, G. S. Gubbay and A. S. Gubbay, A. Nissin, S. J. Hicks, C. W. C. Burnett, J. T. Cotton, E. Abraham, R. Telfer, (Shanghai) A. Keith, H. Dreyer, H. Ruttenjee, D. E. Clark, H. Humphreys, G. Grasso, E. Saik, Dr. Morrison and Monsieur Jean Hund.

The Hon. Sir Paul and Lady Chater, Sir Henry and Lady Pollock, Sir Eric and Lady Stuart Taylor, Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung, the Hon. Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Holyoak, Joyce and Dorothy, the Hon. Dr. and Mrs. R. H. Kotewall, Dr. and Mrs. W. V. M. Koch, Dr. and Mrs. G. D. R. Black, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Raymond, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Dyer, Dr. and Mrs. H. Bales, Dr. and Mrs. Renner (Shanghai), Lieut-Col and Mrs. O. M. Stephen, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Burling, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Parsons, Col. and Mrs. Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. L. Shenton, Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Tyson, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Fook, Mr. and Mrs. J. Tully, Mr. and Mrs. C. Chor, Mr. and Mrs. Brearley (Shanghai), Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Wing, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Goldsmith, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Kom-tong, Mr. and Mrs. U. M. Omar, Mr. and Mrs. T. Triller (Shanghai), Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hirst, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Shinner (Shanghai), Mr. and Mrs. Easterbrook, Mr. and Mrs. J. Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Willsher (Shanghai), Mr. and Mrs. C. F. V. Thomson, Mr. and Mrs. Rutherford Ribeiro, Mr. and Mrs. R. Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Drake, Mr. and Mrs. W. Farmer, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. R. Soonderam, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Suckling, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. R. Douglas, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Hollingsworth and Miss Joyce Hollingsworth, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hancock, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Gerard, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. d'Almada and Miss B. d'Almada, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. J. da Souza and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Lo, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Bush, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Kwo, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Leung, Mr. and Mrs. D. Tolan, Mr. and Mrs. Stevenson, Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Gubbay, Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Yan, Mr. and Mrs. George Grimble, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Cameron, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Myer, Mr. and Mrs. L. Dunbar, Mr. and Mrs. N. Croucher, Mr. and Mrs. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Stott, Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Williamson, Mr. and Mrs. A. Cameron, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Ju, Mr. and Mrs. Bigger, Mr. and Mrs. R. Innes, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Cotton and family, Mr. J. S. Gubbay and Miss Gubbay, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Ki, Mr. and Mrs. A. Hicks, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Perry, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Eustace, Mr. and Mrs. Fung Tak-hung, Mr. and Mrs. J. Witehell, Mr. and Mrs. Bond, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Seth, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Joseph, and Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Joseph, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Sutterle (Shanghai), and Mr. and Mrs. Lo Chun Ghaul.

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MEXICAN OIL LAW.

NEGOTIATIONS BREAK
DOWN.

New York, March 27. Negotiations at Mexico City between representatives of the leading oil companies and the Mexican Government with reference to modifications in the regulations for the exploitation of oil fields have broken down. Disagreement arose owing to the oil representatives' inability to accept clauses concerning lands held before 1917. It is expected that the Government will now promulgate regulations and promise to meet the companies' objection in subsequent negotiations.—Reuter's American Service.

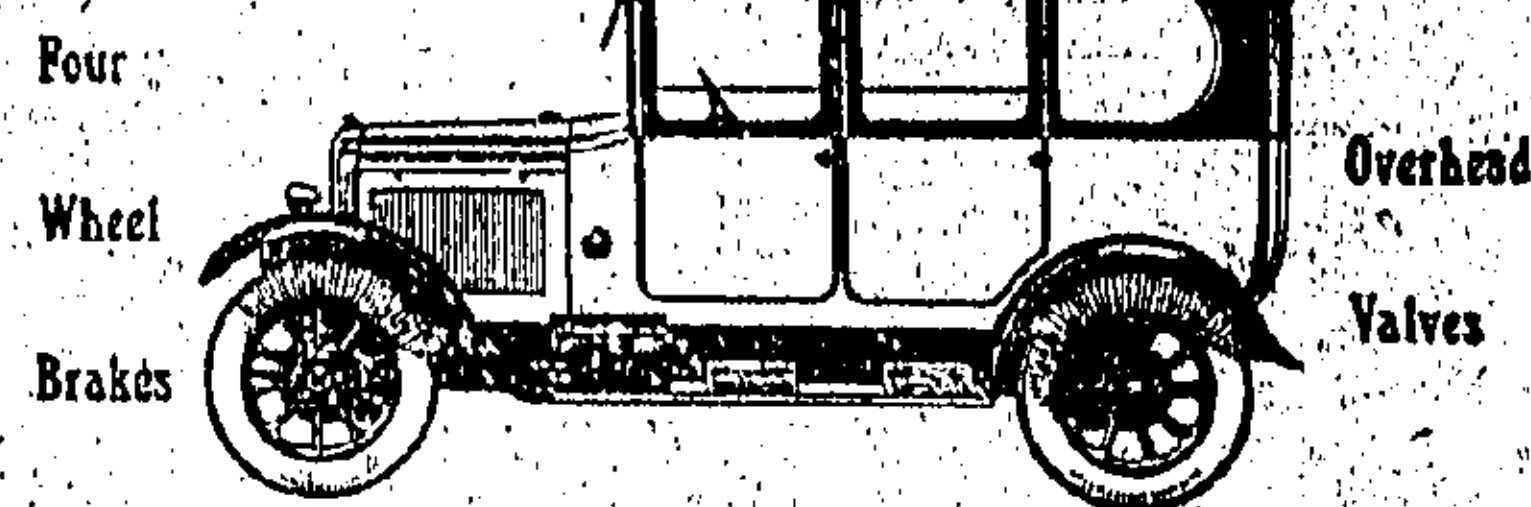
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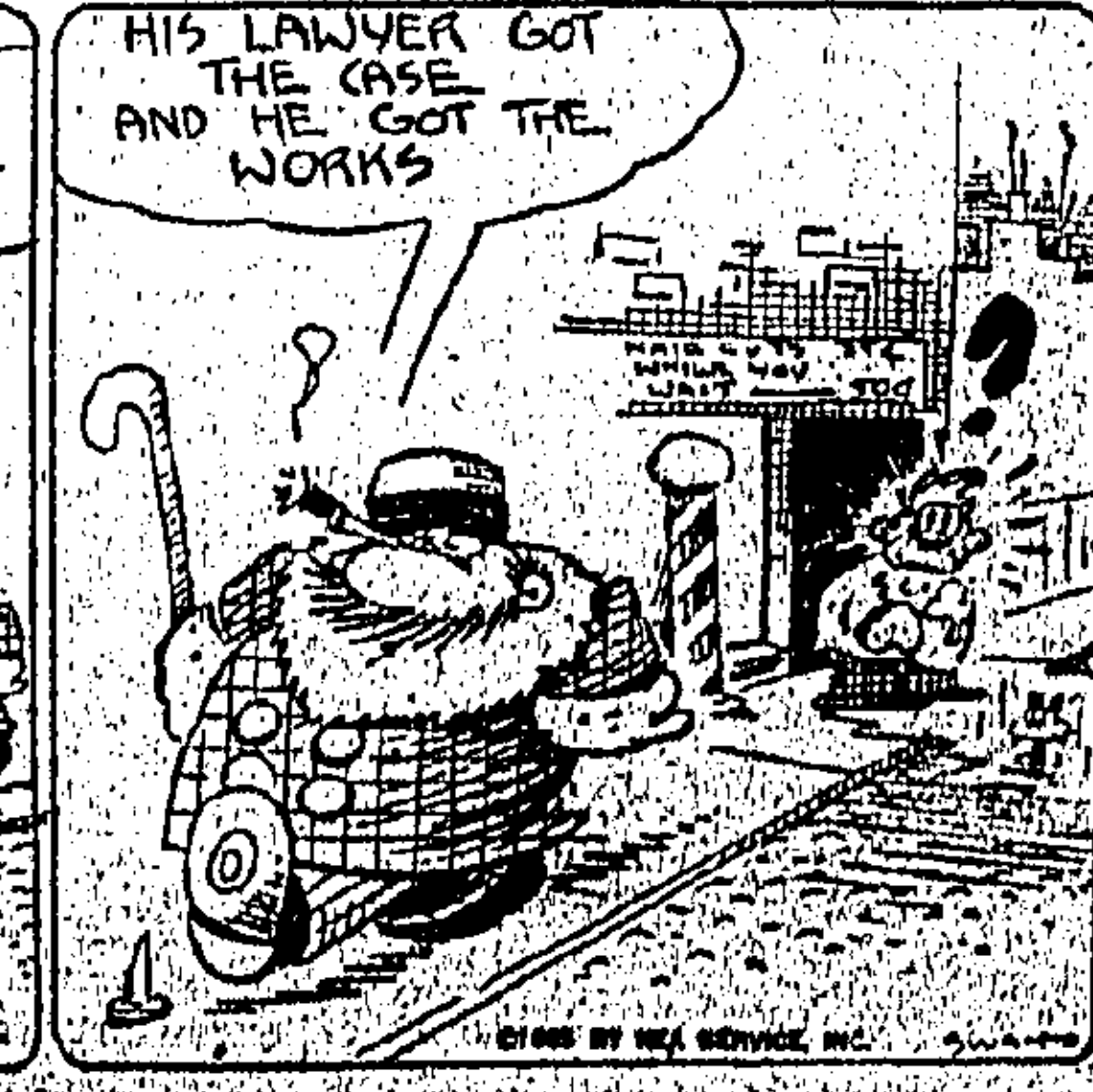
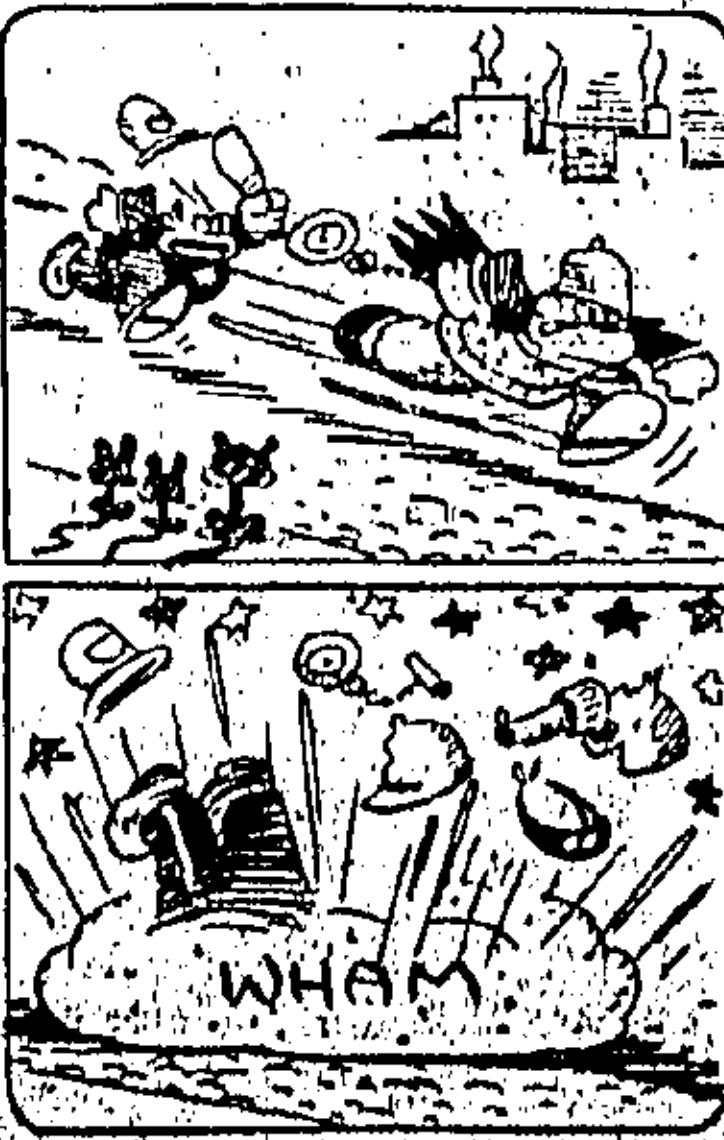
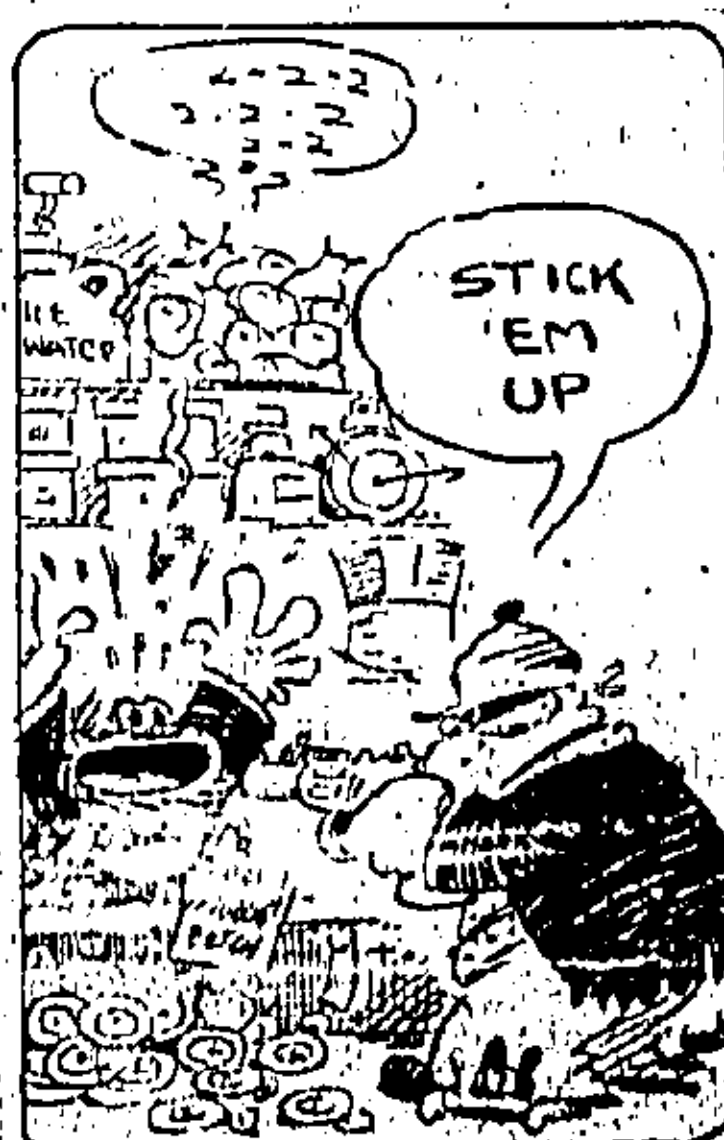
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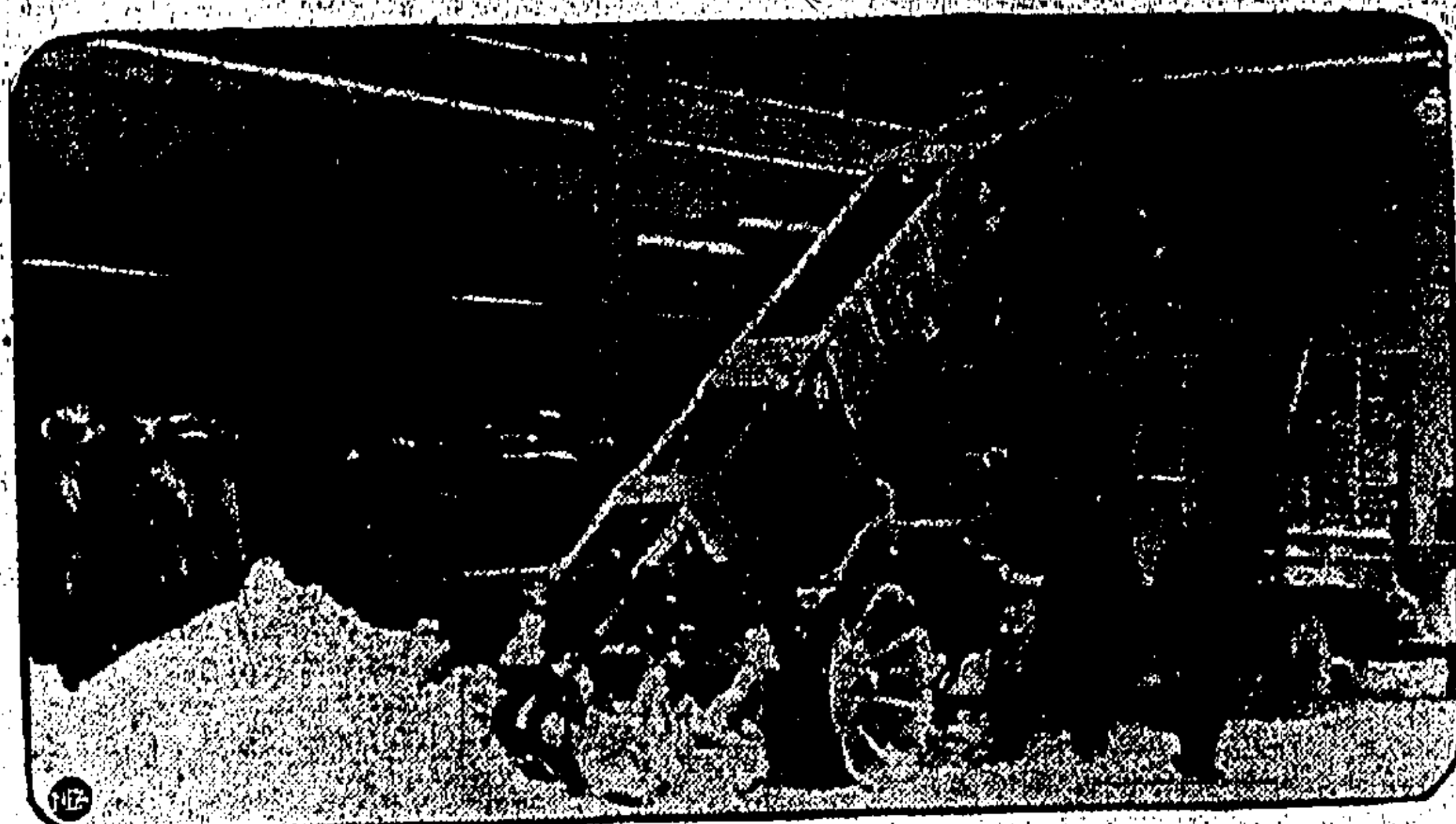
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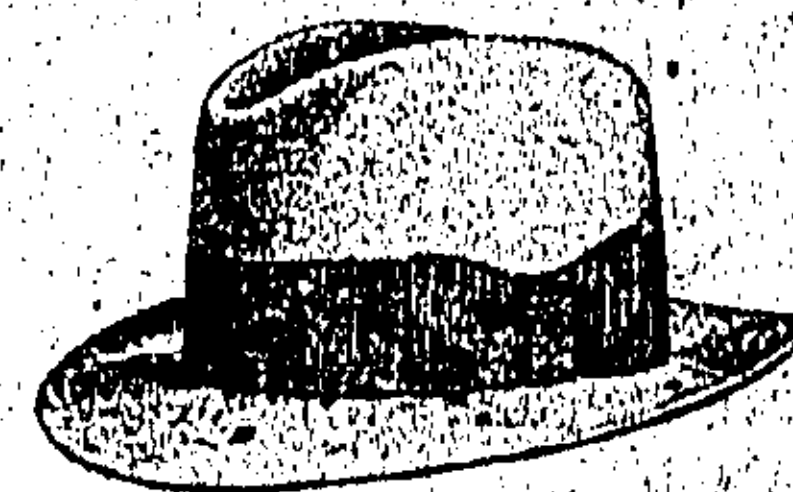
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NOTICE.

The forty-eighth ordinary annual meeting of the shareholders of the above company will be held at the offices of the General Agents, Pedder Street on Thursday, 22nd April, 1926, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1925.

The Transfer Books of the company will be closed from 8th to 22nd April, 1926, both days inclusive.

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ANNUAL MEETING.

The Annual Meeting will be held on Monday, 29th March, 1926, in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., at 5.30 p.m. to pass and adopt the Accounts for 1925 and to elect Officers, etc.

Will anyone willing to join the committee or take office please send their names to the undersigned.

B. L. FROST, President & Hon. Secretary. Hongkong, March 20, 1926.

FANLING HUNT STEEPCHASES.

EASTER MEETING.

Monday, April 5th, 1926.

Saddling Bell 12 noon
First Race 12.30
Entrance to Enclosure and Covered Stands \$3.00
Motor cars can be parked on the rail opposite the grand stand, \$5.00.
The Masters of the Hunt request the pleasure of the presence of the Ladies at the Races.

Special Express Train to the Races leaves Kowloon at 11.02 a.m. Buses and Jitney cars for the Course will meet the train.
Extra lighters for taking cars across Harbour will be provided.
Cash Sweep through tickets can now be obtained from Mr. U. Rumjahn.

Hongkong, March 25, 1926.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB

The First Extra Race Meeting will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on Saturday, 3rd April, 1926 commencing at 2.30 p.m. The first bell will be rung at 2 p.m.

The charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1. for all persons including Ladies. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price.

Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Each member has the right to introduce 2 non-members to the Members' Enclosure, tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. Linstead & Davis at \$5. each up to Thursday 1st April.

The charge for admission for Ladies to the Members' Enclosure will be \$3. Each member can obtain, upon application to the Secretary, Badges for the admission of 2 Ladies free of charge.

LOST SURRENDERED BILLS OF LADING.

Surrendered Bills of Lading for s.s. "Kibi Maru No. 15" arrived Canton on 31/1/26 from Kobe Nos. 23 and 30 (each covering 5 cases Cotton Piece Goods)

s.s. "Fukusei Maru" arrived Canton on 28/2/26 from Keelung Nos. 1 and 2 (covering Keelung Coal)

s.s. "Unkai Maru No. 5" arrived Canton on 28/2/26 from Kobe No. A.6 (covering 12 cases Brass Sheets) No. A.7 (covering 10 cases Copper Sheets)

having been lost, we hereby give notice that the abovementioned Bills of Lading have been cancelled, and that we have duly delivered the goods to the Receivers. Anyone found the lost Bills of Lading kindly return them to the Owners' Agents, the YAMASHITA KISEN KAI-KA. Hongkong, 23rd March, 1926.

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The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

ACTION NO. 558 OF 1925.

Between: Chan Leung Shi, Chan Ho Shi, and Man Kam Lo executors of the estate of Chan Shek Shan, deceased, plaintiffs,

and Lau Tat, defendant, PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE

Of The VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY Situate At Kowloon in the Colony of Hongkong and known as

THE REMAINING PORTION OF SUBSECTION 8 OF SECTION C OF KOWLOON INLAND LOT NO. 421,

Together with 3 messages in construction, with the consent and concurrence of the above named Plaintiffs as executors of the mortgagee under an Indenture of Mortgage dated the 3rd day of November, 1924 and made between the said defendant of the one part and the mortgagee of the other part To be Sold by Order of the Court made in the above Action

By PUBLIC AUCTION On WEDNESDAY, the 31st day of March, 1926 at 3 o'clock p.m. by MESSRS. LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers At their Salesroom No. 5 Duddell Street.

The property consists of:

All that piece or parcel of ground situate lying and being at Kowloon in the Colony of Hongkong and known and registered in the Land Office as The Remaining Portion of Subsection 8 of Section C. of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 421 together with 3 messages in course of construction. The property is held for the unexpired residue of the term of 75 years from the 19th day of December, 1887, created by an Indenture of Crown Lease dated the 24th day of October, 1898, and made between Queen Victoria of the one part and Reuben Meyer Moses of the other part.

Annual Crown Rent about \$64.60. Area about 4,574.08 square feet. For further particulars apply to: MESSRS. LO AND LO, Vendor's Solicitors, or to MESSRS. LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers. Hongkong, 19th March, 1926.

NOTICE

EASTER HOLIDAYS.

Small advertisements relating to motor cars, Motor cycles, etc. intended for publication in next Saturday's Motor Supplement, must reach this office not later than 12 noon on Wednesday.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

ORIGINAL JURISDICTION. Action No. 561 of 1925.

Between:—

Chan Leung Shi, Chan Ho Shi, and Man Kam Lo executors of the estate of Chan Shek Shan deceased, Plaintiffs, and Luk Tsai Ting and Wong Ching U, Defendants.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE of the

VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY situate at Yaumati in the Dependency of Kowloon and Colony of Hongkong, and known as

The Remaining Portion of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 312, Together with the messages thereon known as Nos. 28, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38 and 40

Reclamation Street, (with the consent and concurrence of the above named Plaintiffs as executors of the mortgagee under an Indenture of Mortgage dated the 12th day of October, 1923, and made between the said defendants of the one part and the Mortgagee of the other part.)

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HISTORIC FIGURE.

DEATH OF DUKE OF ORLEANS.

Palermo, March 28. The death is announced of the Duke of Orleans—Foster. (If France had remained a Kingdom, Louis Philippe Robert, Duc d'Orleans, whose death is reported above, would have been King of France, for he was the head of the historically famous Bourbon-Orleans House. He was born at York House, Twickenham, on February 6th, 1869, so that he was 57 years of age. He was the eldest son of the late Comte de Paris and a nephew of the Duc de Chartres. He was educated at



Municipal College, England, and later at Stanislas College, France, until 1886, and after spending some time in England, he returned to France in 1890, expressing a wish to serve as a conscript in the army. He was arrested, however, in connection with rumours of Royalist intrigue against the Republic and was imprisoned for a short time, being exiled from France on his release. In 1896 he married the Archduchess Marie Dorothea of Austria, who was two years his senior. He joined the British army and received a commission in the 60th. Rifles, serving for a year in India. On visiting Paris in 1899 he was again arrested and expelled from the country. In 1900 there was a considerable amount of adverse comment in England against him on account of his countenance of insolent caricatures of late Queen Victoria. In later years, the Duke had settled down at Anjou, near Brussels. The small Royalist party in France is still known as the Orleansists.]

REVIVING TRADE.

NEED FOR COAL PROBLEM SOLUTION.

Rugby, March 28. Speaking last night, in the Forest of Dean Division, the Home Secretary (Sir William Joynson Hicks) referred to the Government's attitude towards the report of the Coal Commission.

The acceptance of the Report, he said, constituted an important move towards settlement, but there was a necessary preliminary to any further action by the Government. Unless there was concord in the coal trade, the Government could not proceed. In addressing an urgent appeal to both parties to respond to the Government's move, Sir William Joynson Hicks said he believed that a settlement would afford the necessary impetus for a genuine revival of trade, which was almost certain if the present coal difficulty could be overcome. He continued:—"Trade after trade is beginning to move. The cloud is breaking in Lancashire, Yorkshire, on the North-east Coast, in the Midlands and in London. Everywhere there is confidence in trade. Everywhere the export markets of the world are opening to British goods."—British Wirelogs.

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SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:—

Banks.
Hongkong, \$1,055 n.
Chartered, \$211 n.
Mercantile A. and B., \$30 b.
Mercantile C., \$131 b.
P. and O., \$91 sa.
East Asia, \$79 b.

Marine Ins.
Canton Ins., \$620 b.
China Underwriters, \$1.90 sa.
North China, Tls. 145 n.
Unions, \$280 sa.
Yangtze, \$443 b.

Fire Ins.
China Fires, \$165 b.
Hongkong Fire, \$540 sa.

Shipping.
Douglases, \$28 sa.
Steamboats, \$241 b.
Tugs, \$21 n.
Indo-Chinas, \$38 n.
Shell Trans., \$7.9 b.
Star Ferries, \$63 sa.
Waterboats, \$15 n.
Oriental Nav., \$250 n.

Refineries.
China Sugars, \$26 s.
Malabons, \$35 n.

Mining.
Benguets, \$1.80 n.
Kailans, 42/- b.
Langkats, Tls. 23 b.
Shai Explorations, Tls. 5.00 sa.
Shanghai Loans, Tls. 7 n.
Raubs, \$5.00 b.
Tronohs, 61/- b.
Ural Caspians, 8/- n.

Docks, etc.
Kowloon Wharves, \$130 b.
Whampoa Docks, \$62 n.
Hongkews, Tls. 1621 b.
New Engineerings, Tls. 5 b.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 104 b.

Lands, Hotels, etc.
H. and S. Hotels, \$10.25 sa.
H.K. Lands, \$651 sa.
Realtys, \$53 b.
Territorials, \$52 s.
Humphreys, \$147 b.
Princes Bldgs, \$100 n.
Rural Lands, \$7 s.

Cottons.
Ewos, Tls. 9.30 b.
Orientals, Tls. 3 n.
Shai Cottons, Tls. 521 b.

Miscellaneous.
Amusements, \$111 b.
Canton Ices, \$71 n.
Cements, \$161 sa.
China Buses, Tls. 101 b.
China Lights, \$211 n.
China Prov., \$7.50 b.
Constructions, \$21 sa.
Dairy Farms, \$20 s.
Der A. Wing, \$10 n.
Electrics, \$64 sa.
Macao Electric, \$40 n.
Developments, 25 cents, n.
Ropes, \$30 s.
Telephones, \$3.50 b.
Tramways, \$251 sa.
Lane Crawfords, \$117 b.
Mackintosh, \$211 n.
Peak Trams, \$161 b.
Sinoeres, \$11 n.
Taxis, \$4 s.
United Asbestos, \$20 n.
Watsons (Old), \$12 b.
Watsons (New), \$11.80 b.
Powells, \$10 n.

RUBBER MARKET.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.

Messrs. Carroll Bros. are in receipt of a cable from Singapore notifying that the market is very active and quoting the following sales to Hongkong:—

Allobya \$ 3.60
Amalgamated Malays 4.80
Ayer Panas 14.25
Connemaras 2.70
Jerams 2.00
Jimahs 2.60
Pajams 14.80

The following dividends have been declared:—

Haytor Rubber Estates Ltd.—22½% final.
Hamilton (F.M.B.) Rubber Co. Ltd.—10% final.

The Malakoff Rubber Co. Transfer books will be closed on the 31st March for the preparation of Dividend Warrants.

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THE "SUNNING" STRANDING.

ENDING OF COURT.

The Naval Court of Enquiry, held at the British Consulate in Shanghai, to investigate the stranding of the China Navigation Company's s.s. Sunning, which went aground on Button Island on March 14th whilst on her way to Amoy and Hongkong, has concluded. The steamer was refloated without outside assistance after being ashore an hour and twenty-one minutes and returned to Shanghai with only minor damage to plates and frames.

After taking account of all the circumstances, the Court found as follows:

That the accident was due to an error in judgment of speed on the part of the Second Officer, Mr. Thatcher, inasmuch as he estimated the speed of the ship at 12 knots over the ground, whereas in fact it was nearer 14 knots.

That on losing sight of the land on the starboard hand the Second Officer, Mr. Thatcher, failed to notify the Master as he should have done.

That in view of the Second Officer's Mr. Thatcher's short experience of these waters, he should have verified his estimate of speed by asking the Master, Captain Mills.

That in view of the short experience of the Second Officer, Mr. Thatcher, in these waters, and the difficulty of establishing the position by bearing of lights alone, it would have been wiser for the Master, Captain Mills, to have given a definite time to be called, in addition to the distance, or to have returned to the distance, or to have returned to the bridge at such time he would expect to be three miles from Button Island.

That the Master, Capt. Mills, on arrival on the bridge took all possible steps to avert an accident, and that, subsequent to the stranding of the ship, adequate and seamanlike steps and precautions were taken by the Master, Capt. Mills, to ensure the safety of life and property.

ECONOMIC CONFERENCE.

FOUR BRITISH REPRESENTATIVES.

Rugby, March 28. The first session of the Preparatory Committee for the International Economic Conference is due to open in Geneva on April 26th.

Sir Hubert Smith, of the Board of Trade, Sir Arthur Balfour, President of the Committee on Trade and Industries, and Mr. W. T. Layton, Editor of the Economist, are the three British experts who have already accepted the Council's invitation to take part in the discussions and, in addition, Mr. Arthur Fugh, President of the General Council of the Trade's Union Congress, has just been nominated by the workers' group of the Governing Body of the International Labour Office to represent the workers' point of view on the Committee.—British Wirelogs.

WOMAN LOSES LEG.

SQUEL TO LORRY MISHAP.

The case in which a Chinese was charged with driving a motor lorry on the public highway, with a learner's licence and causing bodily harm to a Chinese woman at the Praya East on March 20th, again came before Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Central Magistracy this morning. Mr. F. A. Nash appeared for the defendant.

It appears that the defendant ran over the woman, and she had to be removed to hospital.

Sergeant Roberts said the victim's leg had had to be amputated, and she would be detained for at least another three weeks.

The case was adjourned until April 6th.

The licensed driver of the lorry, who had previously pleaded guilty to allowing a Chinese youth drive the lorry with a learner's licence, was further charged with having defective brakes on the lorry.

A licence with regard to the brakes was given by Sergeant Roberts, and the defendant was fined \$50 on each charge.

Mr. F. A. Nash appeared for the defendant in this case also.

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ARMoured TRAIN ENGAGEMENT.

Peking, March 26.
It is reported that Li Ching-lin's armoured train, manned by White Russians, came into contact with Kuominchun forces at An Ting. Some fighting took place this morning.

Kuominchun reinforcements are proceeding to An Ting from Feng Tai.—*Reuter.*

Capital Cut Off.

Tientsin, March 27.
A battle is expected shortly near Huang Tsun, where rails have been torn up. Thus, railway communication with the Capital is again stopped.

A strong force of Kuominchun troops, believed to be the remnants of the Third Army, are holding Huang Tsun, while the "Allies" have sent armoured trains manned by Russians and troop trains carrying Russians and Chinese up the line. Many others are proceeding by road.—*Reuter.*

A Red Invasion.

Hankow, March 28.
A wireless from Changsha states that the Fourth Division is moving from there to Yochow against the Third Division and the Yochow garrison.

Railway and telegraphic communication between Hankow and Changsha is severed.

Local headquarters consider the movement, the preliminary to a general Red Expedition.—*Reuter.*

The Advance On Peking.

Tientsin, March 28.
Peking is now completely cut off from Tientsin. Neither telephone nor railway communications are functioning.

The Kuominchun has established important lines of trenches at Huang Tsun, with support trenches two miles behind, in readiness for strong resistance.

All foreigners at Feng Tai have left for Peking.

Mukden troops are now moving across country to Peking. It is expected these, with Li Ching-lin's army, will attempt the capture of Peking.

A Peking message says gunfire was heard last night, probably at Sai Ho Sien, where the Fengtien advance guard is reported to have arrived.—*Reuter.*

Important Stage.

Shanghai, March 28.
The civil war has reached an important stage. The Manchurian Generals Li Ching-lin and Chang Tsung-chang, having recaptured Tientsin from the Kuominchun army, are now advancing along the railway towards Peking, while Chang Tso-lin's cavalry are pushing on thither from the east. Wu Pei-fu has completely cleared the province of Honan from the south.

A Peking message says General Lu Chung-lin, the commandant of the Kuominchun garrison there, has emphatically disclaimed any intention of disarming the Chief Executive, Tuan Chi-ju's, bodyguard, thus greatly relieving apprehension, since Feng Yu-hsiang's telegram of March 20, blaming the Premier for the shooting of the student demonstrators by the guards, through failing to keep order.—*Reuter.*

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FRANCE'S PROBLEMS.

POLITICAL SITUATION SUDDENLY TRANSFORMED.

Paris, March 27.
In the Chamber of Deputies, the Finance Committee agreed to new taxation yielding an estimate of 1,880,000,000 francs, including profits of a tax from the conveyance of real property, increased tax on the sale of business and doubling the turnover from a tax on firms whose figures exceed a million francs.

It is understood that the Finance Minister, M. Peret, is willing to accept a compromise on the proposal to make up the remaining deficit of over a milliard francs by a general turnover tax exclusively confined to wholesalers and middlemen.

Cabinet Discussion.

The Ministerial Council discussed the financial situation.

M. Peret indicated that there was hope of reaching agreement in Finance Committee and added that he was prepared to make a further effort at conciliation, as far as compatible with the imperious necessities of the hour.

The Council unanimously approved M. Peret's attitude.

Subsequently, M. Peret said he would wash his hands of the whole business unless the Business Turn-over Tax and other taxes were voted by March 31.

The Finance Committee of the Chamber passed by 15 votes to seven, with five abstentions, an amendment by Deputy Margaine, aiming at the institution of a monopoly for higher grades of petrol.

M. Peret declared the Government was unanimous on the necessity for a speedy vote and would, if necessary, stake its existence thereon. Things could not continue in this way. They were at the mercy of the slightest incident, which might smash up everything. He was not afraid of any complication of the moment, but if demands for reimbursement of Treasury bonds should pour in, he would be reduced to resort to inflation, which he would not have at any price.

A Swift Change.

Later.
The politico-financial situation has been drastically transformed.

The Government's fate yesterday seemed sealed, owing to the Socialists and Radicals opposing any increase in the Business Turn-over Tax, whereon the Government insisted; but to-day M. Peret suddenly informed the Finance Committee of the Chamber that he had given up this tax, and would instead submit proposals to increase certain indirect taxes, especially those on wines, beers and spirits, and certain stamp duties.

M. Peret asked for a little time to put the finishing touches to the new project. The Committee readily agreed. Thus an anti-Government majority on the Turn-over Tax was averted at the eleventh hour.

The amendment by Deputy Margaine mentioned earlier provides for State control of the importation of raw petroleum and its derivatives; also sugar, from January 1, 1927, but it is in no way certain that Parliament will pass it.—*Reuter.*

HOCKEY INTERNATIONAL.

ENGLAND BEATS IRELAND.

Belfast, March 27.
At hockey, England beat Ireland 2-1.—*Reuter.*

THE WORLD OUTLOOK.

LORD GREY VOICES AN ENCOURAGING VIEW.

Rugby, March 27.
An encouraging view of the world outlook, following the Geneva breakdown, was taken by Lord Grey in a speech at Cambridge last night. He agreed that the world was faced with a rough and gritty situation, and that the proceedings at Geneva had caused a shock to those who had set their hopes on the League of Nations. It was, however, a quickening, not a deadening, shock. It had shaken them out of the complacency which had settled upon them after Locarno.

Last year the League of Nations had a very good year. The Locarno treaties were rightly looked upon as immensely strengthening the League and the prospect of future peace. The proceedings at Geneva, however, afforded disagreeable reading, and the fact that the League Assembly had separated without accomplishing anything looked like failure. If analysed, however, they might find a good deal in it that was hopeful for the future. On the dark side of scenes at Geneva, there was a tendency to intrigue and bargain and push separate national interests to the exclusion of the common good, and to the damage of the League of Nations; but there was something else that had shown itself, and that was the proof by more than one nation of devotion to the ideals of the League, which made the representatives of those nations ready to sacrifice the *amor proprio* of their nations, and if need be, their seats on the Council, in order to preserve the ideals of the League.

A New Display.

Bad things at Geneva were not new, but this was a new display of such a spirit of self-sacrifice as was shown by more than one of the nations which met at Geneva. It was a concrete example, such as he did not recollect in our time. But for the existence of the League, perhaps that ideal would not have existed, and certainly it would not have come to light as it did at Geneva. After this exhibition of public spirit, he could not but believe that when the nations which compose the League met again after six months of reflection, the good and nobler side would prevail.

The proceedings at Geneva were not so great a failure as at first sight appeared. If they had resulted in Germany withdrawing her application that would indeed have been failure, but the German application still remained, and would come up again in September. If those proceedings had resulted in the Locarno treaties disappearing, these would indeed have been failure, but there is a general consensus of opinion among the Locarno Powers that the Locarno treaties still hold good, just as they did when they were first made. That again was not failure.

Locarno remains unimpaired, that was an important decision. There was another thing worth noticing and which was distinct progress. Germany, though not a member of the League, was a member of the Commission to inquire into the composition of the Council, and he believed she was a member also of the preliminary conference to inquire into the possibility of reducing armaments, so that while Germany was not yet a member of the League, she was actually functioning on these very important commissions as if she were a member.—*British Wireless.*

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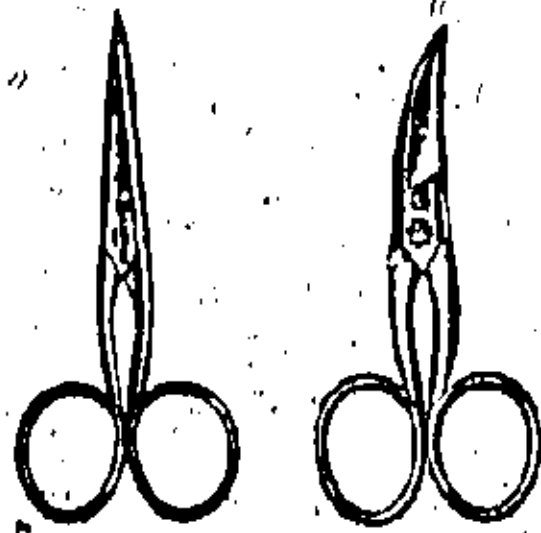
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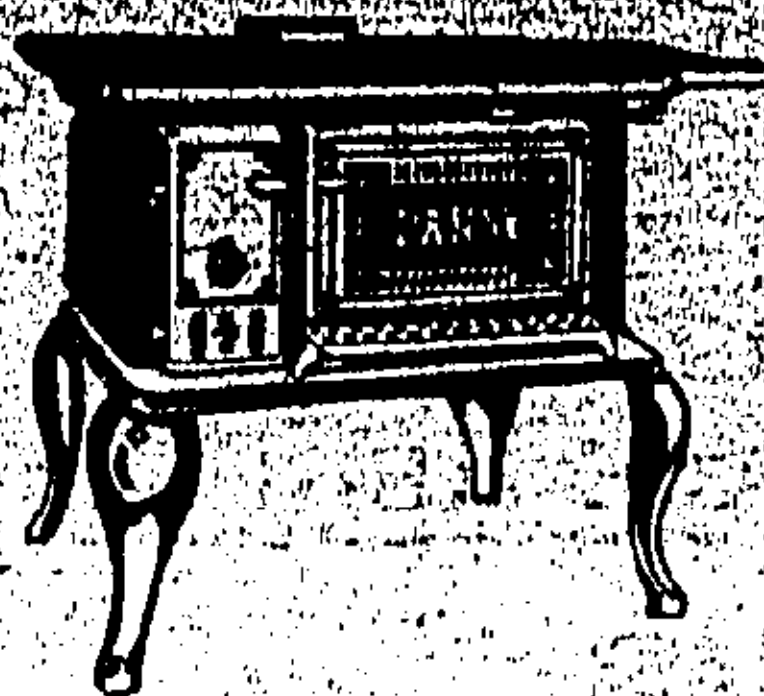
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MILLET.—On 26th March, 1926, at 500 the Peak, to Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Millett, a daughter.

The Telegraph.

MONDAY, MARCH 20, 1926.

BOYCOTT EFFECTS.

Boycott leaders in South China have made much of the point that the movement represents an expression of patriotic feeling on the part of Chinese who consider that they have cause for taking economic action against foreigners. The underlying motive of the boycott is to injure foreign trade, but in actual fact it acts as a boonierang which recoils with disastrous effect on those employing it. This point was well stressed by the Chairman of the Ewo Cotton Mills recently, and Mr. Henry Humphreys did well, at the meeting of Messrs. A. S. Watson and Co., Ltd., on Saturday, to quote Mr. Brooke Smith's words on that point. The latter showed that the bulk of the Ewo shareholders were Chinese, that the Company employed thousands of Chinese workers, to whom \$1,600,000 were paid annually in wages, and that the four months' stoppage which had resulted from the boycott meant a loss of over half a million dollars to these Chinese workers.

What is true of the Company mentioned is in lesser or greater degree true also of many other concerns which have been brought within the boycott movement. That fact has been strikingly demonstrated here in Hongkong during the period of the troubles which we are all hoping will shortly come to an end. The amount of money lost to Chinese workers as a result of the strike must run into a huge figure, whilst the slump in share values has chiefly hit the Chinese, who predominate in holding stocks in local companies and must have suffered considerable loss of income through dividends having decreased or for the time being been made impossible of payment. As property-holders also the Chinese have badly suffered by conditions resulting from the strike and boycott. It is, however, when we come to the import trade that we realise the tremendous losses which have been inflicted on the Chinese by the prolongation of the movement.

Chinese business men not only of Hongkong but of the whole of South China have had to face an unprecedented situation, which has meant ruin for many concerns. It is true that foreign houses have also become involved in the crisis, and have been incommode by it, but it is principally upon the Chinese that the movement has reacted with such disastrous consequences. That must be so because of the ramifications of the import and export trade.

So far as this Colony is concerned, the Chinese and the foreign business men alike have cause for complaint that they have been brought within the scope of the boycott movement, since Hongkong has done nothing, either politically or from the industrial standpoint, to warrant the attacks which have been made on it. We have all through the piece been the innocent victims in this foolish campaign. There is now, however, ground for hope that the troubles through which we have been passing are shortly to come to an end. As an administration which, on its own declarations, exists to serve the Chinese, the Canton Government will surely not lose sight of the points enumerated above, and in the coming negotiations we look to it to bear in mind the outstanding fact that an early adjustment of the boycott will have the most beneficial effect on the business men, producers and the working classes of South China.

France's Problem.

Once again within so short a while a French Minister of Finance is threatening to wash his hands of the whole business of rehabilitating the country's finances unless certain pet proposals are agreed to, and although there is dire necessity of getting a speedy vote, the average man-in-the-street will be inclined to think that Ministers of Finance in France are a little too ready to threaten. Argument and persuasion and an appeal for conciliation to meet the imperious necessities of the hour would be more likely to bring about the desired vote of approval. There are many interests involved in this newly proposed taxation, and although taxation in some form or another is the only road by which France will emerge from her financial worries, the form of that taxation must be left open to argument and arrangement. Among the suggested new taxes are the following:—A profits tax on the sale of real property, an increased tax on the sale of businesses, and the doubling of the turnover tax in the case of firms whose business turnover exceeds a million francs; and it is very easy to imagine that many a business man, though full of a patriotic desire to help his country, will have sound and cogent argument to raise against the application of such taxation to one or more particular lines of business. The French taxation system is not so perfectly based as to warrant an attitude of threatening dictation by a newly-elected Finance Minister. The national finances are undoubtedly badly disorganised; there has been tremendous inflation owing to the inability of getting agreement to any complete plan of new taxation; the franc is at the lowest point it has ever touched; and there will have to be even further inflation unless there is early agreement on a new taxation formula. France is industrially prosperous, but her politicians cannot agree. And we see a weakening in the hopes and confidence of M. Perot, the present Finance Minister, when he resorts to threats of a nature which have been notoriously ineffective in the past.

PERSIAN OPIUM.

A LEAGUE OF NATIONS COMMISSION.

Teheran, March 28.
The Commission appointed by the League of Nations to investigate the cultivation of opium in Persia has arrived. *Reuter.*

DAY BY DAY.

WHO DARES TO SAY THAT HE ALONE HAS FOUND THE TRUTH?—*Longfellow.*

The weather forecast up to noon to-morrow is: N. winds, moderate; generally cloudy.

The Empress of Russia left Manila at 9 p.m. yesterday, and is due here to-morrow.

The health report for the week-end shows another case of a dog suffering from rabies.

The s.s. Tilawa, which left Singapore on the 24th instant, is due here at 6 a.m. on the 30th instant.

The P. and O. s.s. Macedonia left Singapore at 9 a.m. on the 28th instant, and is due here at 6 a.m. on April 1st.

We are asked to state that the s.s. President Harrison will sail to-morrow at 6 a.m., and not at 8 a.m., as advertised.

A telegram from Manila Observatory, received at 10 a.m. today, states that there is a cyclone or typhoon to the west of Bala-tang Channel, moving N.E. or E.N.E.

The master of a cargo boat, was fined \$50 by Mr. J. H. B. Nihil, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, for having on board his junk one stick of dynamite and two fuses.

Among the passengers who arrived from Manila by the President Madison yesterday was Judge Milton D. Purdy, of the United States Court for China, returning to Shanghai.

Sanitary Inspector H. J. Knight is retiring from the service of the Hongkong Government after thirty years' residence in the Colony. He leaves for Home on the s.s. Glenamoy on April 7th.

Mr. L. M. Cosgrave, Canadian Government Trade Commissioner, will be visiting Hongkong on an official trade tour in April, with a view to establishing personal contact with Hongkong importers interested in Canadian trade. He expects to remain in Hongkong for about two weeks.

As a Kai Tack motor bus was rounding the corner from Salisbury Road into Nathan Road, Kowloon, this morning, the front right-hand wheel came adrift, and the axle, sagging to the ground, ripped up a small furrow before the bus could be stopped. Fortunately there were no casualties.

Mr. C. W. Scott has taken over the management of the Mercantile Bank at Bangkok, on the departure on March 5th of Mr. J. C. Duncan.

HONGKONG IMPORTS.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT.

The fortnightly Price Current and Market Report, published by the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, states:

Cotton Piece Goods and Fancy Cotton Goods.—Our market has ruled quiet in all directions and the only sale of importance reported is one of low quality Black Venetians, for which an exceptionally cheap price was accepted.

Eg. Sakel, has declined to 15.35d. whilst Mid. Am. "Spot" is nominally unchanged at 9.95d.

Cotton Yarn.—The position of our market remained unchanged and no sale of any importance has been effected during the fortnight under review. Nominal quotations are as follows:—No. 10s. \$165/175; No. 12s. \$170/185; No. 16s. \$185/190; No. 20s. \$190/200; Arrivals 1,200 bales. Shipments nil. Sales 500 bales. Bargains 3,300 bales.

Woolens.—Nothing to report. Raw Cotton.—No sales to report. Metals.—Market dull, very little doing.

Flour Market.—Stock. About 650,000 sacks. Quotations:—American Patent, \$4.25 per sack; American Straight, \$3.50 per sack; American Cut off, \$3.45 per sack; Shanghai Flour, \$3.35 per sack; Australian No. 1, \$3.50 per sack; Canadian Cut off, \$2.95 per sack.

Sugar.—Market dull. Prices declining.

Saltpetre.—Good demands forthcoming from Kwong Chow, Wan District for very inferior quality of below 80% refraction.

TENANCY CASE.

A RUM-DRINKING INCIDENT.

At the Summary Court this morning before Mr. Justice Wood, Mrs. Emily Dunn brought a claim against Mr. J. M. Ollerton, Manager of the Hongkong Small Investors, Share and Real Estate Company, for the sum of \$118, being \$100 as to a month's rent, and \$18 as to costs of gas, electric light, meals and services, supplied to defendant in respect of his tenancy of the ground floor of this address.

Mr. Andrews appeared for the claimant, while Mr. Ollerton was represented by Mr. A. J. Donoghue.

After Mr. Andrews had referred to the terms of tenancy, which commenced from the 1st February, Mrs. Dunn said in evidence that owing to hard times, her husband had to leave for Shanghai, where she was to rejoin him. Meanwhile the furniture of the house had to be disposed of, and with this object in view she saw defendant in his office. This had not been done, but defendant agreed to occupy the ground floor on the terms mentioned. The date of occupation was 1st February, but by reason of the fact that the defendant made frequent trips to Macao and Canton, he was on and off the premises for days at times, in consequence of which she did not see much of him. He was to have brought his own boy with him, but the boy stayed for only one day. Defendant after that kept ringing for her servants, until they threatened to leave.

Mrs. Dunn went on to say that when she later saw Mr. Ollerton, the latter said that on account of the trouble with the servants, he had decided to give up the floor and was now staying at the Y. M. C. A. A number of prospective tenants were taken round to interview witness. Amongst these were Mr. and Mrs. Stuart, who said that they had been turned out by their landlords, and because they had nowhere to live she took pity on them and allowed them to sleep in the room in question. Mr. Stuart asked to be given a bottle of whisky, and this not being forthcoming, he seized a bottle of rum and helped himself to the whole of its contents. "It was something terrible," commented Mrs. Dunn to watch him

MOTOR ACCIDENT.

COMPENSATION PAID TO COOLIE.

A sequel to an accident between a ricksha and motor car No. 777, on March 14th, in which it was alleged that a Chinese passenger in the former lost \$450, which he was carrying at the time, was heard before Mr. Justice Wood this morning. Mr. K. C. Yue, residing at 157, Wong Nai Chong Road, the owner of the car, charged with failing to report an accident, failing to stop and with having defective brakes. Mr. L. D. Turner appeared for the defence, and Mr. J. M. Remedios attended for the Chinese passenger.

A suggestion from the Bench that Mr. Yue should pay compensation to the ricksha coolie was opposed by Mr. Turner on the ground that it might prejudice his legal position. After interviewing his client, he said Mr. Yue was prepared to place \$50, the damages stated by Sub-Inspector Alexander, in the hands of the Magistrate to give to the coolie if he thought fit. He emphasised that the money was given entirely without prejudice, as an act of private benevolence.

Major Willson agreed to this, and said he would hear evidence to give the defendant a chance of proving that he was not in the car at the time of the accident, and did not know the car was out.

Sub-Inspector Alexander said they could not prove that Mr. Yue was driving at the time.

Mr. Yue, in the witness box, explained his movements on the day in question, and said that when he arrived home he told his cousin to take the car to the garage. The accident happened after that, and he knew nothing about it, as he did not go out again that night.

The first two charges were dismissed, and a fine of \$5 was imposed for inefficient brakes.

The defendant said that he brought round a number of tenants to see Mrs. Dunn and they were rejected one after the other. He also brought Mr. Stuart, and Mrs. Dunn had accepted him. His Lordship gave judgment for the plaintiff in the amount claimed.

The Very Idea!

Ham and eggs and white bread are an unbiologic breakfast, says Dr. A. L. Walters of Tulsa, Okla. The biologic breakfast includes a poached egg and bran bread toast.

Whisky has killed more men than bullets. Which would you rather be full of?

Who will say that Lord Oxford is not a happy phrase-maker? In a recent speech he remarked that "doctors and I have been on a stage because of the persistent most distant bowing acquaintance for more than 70 years," adding that he had been successful in "evading their well-meant action." He also declared that their place was assured owing to "the necessities and credulity of mankind."

Contract by poundage is something new in the field of the drama and the cinema. It is reported that Miss Dorothy Mackail is legally engaged to a screen firm so long as she remains at 118 pounds or thereabouts, but if and when she tips the scales at 130 the contract becomes null and void. The contract is said to be for a period of five years.

A nice will is that of Canon Sut-ton, who leaves, among other bequests, £100 to the vicar of St. Mark's, Norwich, and I desire that he shall spend it on himself leading a double life in a town of 2,000 people. We would like to see his memoirs. In book form biography could not have given a as good a contract as he can make anywhere. Such a book would sell half a million copies. Not every man wants to lead a double life, out of a hundred telephone calls only a few do. But there probably you get the wrong number, only isn't a man living who isn't sure three times. Still, it will be generally admitted that the girls at the Exchange do their level best.

If you don't want to be weather-bitten, don't pay any attention to because they attend to their own business.

The entire family of 15 children recently attended the funeral of Mrs. Maria Noakes of Battle, Sussex.

London theatrical managers are racking their brains to find some means of combatting the "theatre cough."

London isn't the only place where the "theatre cough" is a nuisance. We have it everywhere. Time and again one misses what is being said on the stage because of the persistent coughing of those around. And there's no excuse for it. If one has a cold one has no business going to the theatre. If one hasn't a cold, one has no business coughing.

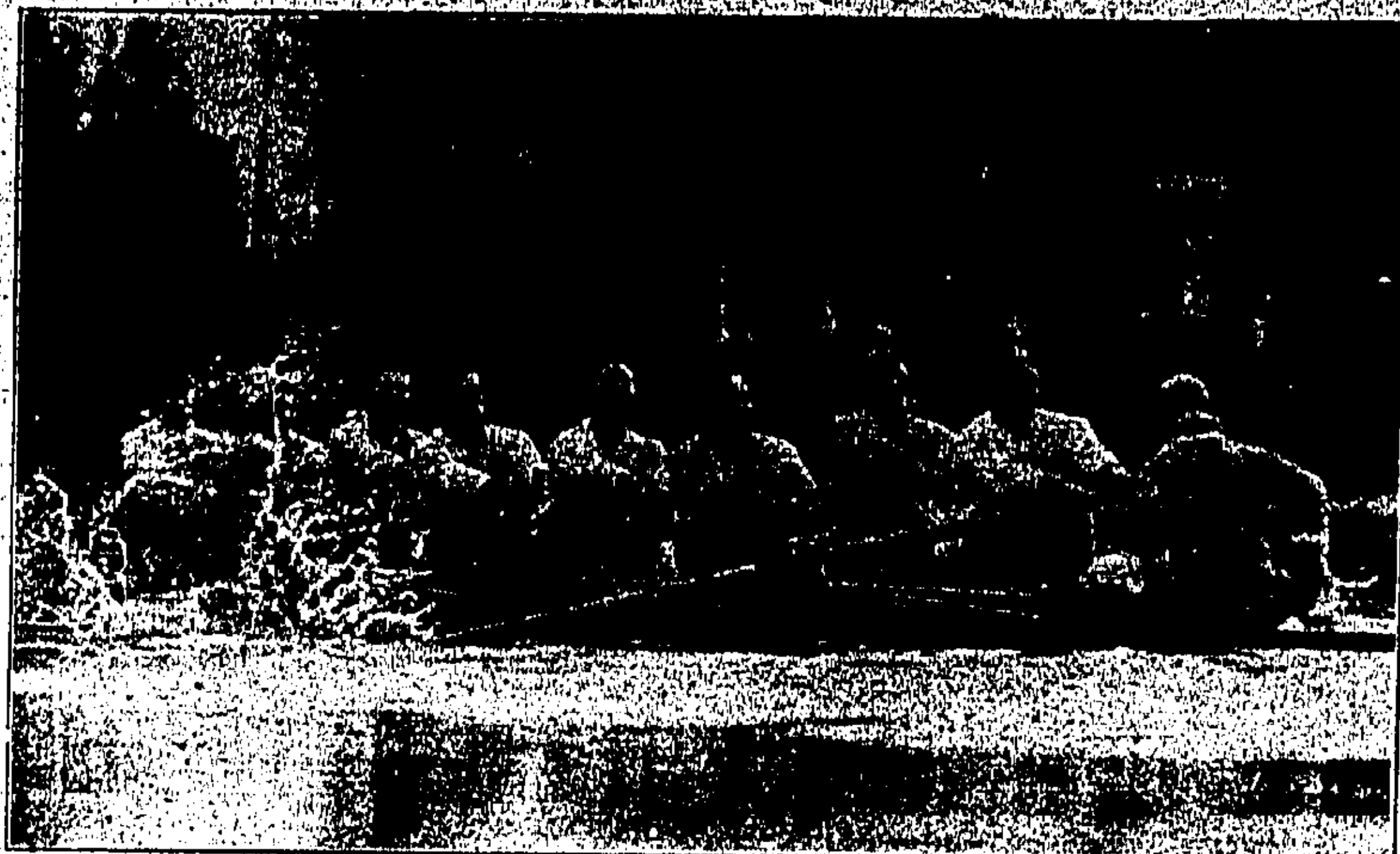
Idle gossip goes in both ears and out the mouth. Newspaper item:—"On Sunday that Miss Dorothy Mackail is legally engaged to a screen firm so long as she remains at 118 pounds or thereabouts, but if and when she tips the scales at 130 the contract becomes null and void. The contract is said to be for a period of five years."

A British motion picture company, taking pictures of industrial life, caught a bricklayer in action. This shows you what science can do.

A Swiss was found guilty of that he shall spend it on himself leading a double life in a town of 2,000 people. We would like to see his memoirs. In book form biography could not have given a as good a contract as he can make anywhere. Such a book would sell half a million copies. Not every man wants to lead a double life, out of a hundred telephone calls only a few do. But there probably you get the wrong number, only isn't a man living who isn't sure three times. Still, it will be generally admitted that the girls at the Exchange do their level best.

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AGAIN WINNERS OF THE BOAT RACE



Here are the Cambridge crew which won the University Boat Race on Saturday. They are seen out on a trial spin.

DOCK CO.'S AFFAIRS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

sary for effective supervision that there is an adequate European staff. I state this because it has been suggested that now things are slack the staff could be cut down. In this connection I may say that although we have always carried on with a minimum of European staff compatible with efficiency no less than sixteen members of the staff have left us during the past twelve months and have not been replaced. Moreover, eight more are shortly going home on leave after five or six years in the Colony. This depletion would leave us dangerously understaffed when conditions become normal and as business improves it will be necessary to add to our staff. It has been indicated to us by some of our most valued clients that when there was a rush of work we were short-handed and that their work did not receive sufficient supervision. This, gentlemen, is a most undesirable state of affairs as we can only retain our clients and add to them by ensuring that they will be satisfied that the work entrusted to our care will receive adequate European supervision.

You will recollect that last year shareholders authorised an increase of capital, but unfortunately when the shares were offered the strike and boycott commenced and money became so tight that, although the date for receiving applications for the new shares was postponed the response was poor and the Directors decided to cancel the offer. Only 7,640 shares were applied for and issued. When conditions become normal it will be necessary for the Directors to make a fresh offer of shares on terms to be settled by them in due course. Shareholders may rest assured that the new shares will be offered to them in proportion to their holding of shares whether of the old ones or those issued last Summer which will rank equally with the former.

THE ACCOUNTS.

Turning to the accounts, you will notice that no allowance has been made for depreciation. This is not considered necessary in view of the large amounts that have been provided in previous years. Our stocks of materials stand in our books not above cost price and in no case above the market value. Our plant and buildings are in excellent order and the cost of their upkeep has been defrayed out of revenue.

Our reserve fund, you will notice, after withdrawing \$500,000 to cover the loss in 1925, stands at \$2,700,000. The premium of \$10 per share on 7,640 issued less expenses of issue, amounting in all to \$72,661.70, has been put to reserve. You will notice from the balance sheet that the debentures have been paid off. This was done when they became due on 31st December, and the Bank kindly allowed us to overdraw on our current account in order to do this.

Your Directors regret that owing to the large loss of \$468,259.03 they are unable to recommend the payment of any dividend. You will notice from the Profit and Loss Account that the balance of Working Account only showed a loss of \$132,567, the difference between that and \$468,259.03 being made up of interest, rates, insurance, etc.

I may add that the full effect of the labour troubles and boycott were felt during the months

July—November. Business was improving towards the end of that period and December proved to be quite a fair month. As regards the future, I hardly care to commit myself except to say that as the shipbuilding industry has been having a bad time for some years it is only reasonable to anticipate that before long there will be a turn of the tide, and even when we have little new construction in hand we are usually kept fairly busy in repair work.

I do not think there is anything further that calls for comment, and I now beg to propose the adoption of the report and accounts and after this has been seconded, I shall be glad to answer to the best of my ability any questions which shareholders may wish to ask.

Mr. Li Tse-fong seconded.

SHAREHOLDERS' QUESTIONS.

Mr. Kelly Sayce rose to speak, whereupon,

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen,—On Saturday morning, after the speech which I have just read out had been written, a letter was received from a shareholder containing a list of 15 questions which he proposed to ask at this meeting and I wish to thank him for his courtesy in sending in the list of questions beforehand. This shareholder was one of those who were responsible for the appointment of the Committee of shareholders to which I have already referred, and it seems to me that these questions should have been placed in the hands of this Committee with the request that the points raised should have its attention. Reference has already been made to the world-wide stagnation in the shipbuilding industry, and we have been most fortunate in being able to maintain the payment of a dividend until this past year. With the conditions that have had to be faced since the middle of last year, it is no cause for surprise that the year has come out with a loss. Your Directors, gentlemen, are equally with you shareholders in the Company and are just as anxious to see the Company in a flourishing position and in a position to pay good dividends. In fact a glance at the list of shareholders will show that the Directors to-day hold or directly represent over one-tenth of the issued capital of the Company. They deplore, with you, the loss made last year and have been happy to welcome the Committee of shareholders who will in due course put forward their recommendations.

What I think every shareholder wishes to know is that his interests are being properly cared for. To ascertain that this is so is no doubt the purpose for which the questions were framed. I suggest, therefore, that the matters about which information is desired should be placed before the Shareholders' Committee who will be able to go into the various points thoroughly and with more satisfaction than would be afforded by a series of brief questions and answers in this room. Still, if it is desired to put these questions now, I shall be pleased to answer them to the best of my ability. I may add that the Chief Manager will be glad to see any shareholder who will come to him with proposals for the better working of the Company, and will be very pleased to show any of you over the property you own. It is doubtful if many of you have any idea of the large organization that is required for modern shipbuilding, and for competition with similar under-

takings in other countries. For new tonnage we have to compete with Home yards, who, as you know, have been devoting a considerable amount of time and energy to cheapening the cost of building and we have to keep right abreast of the times in order not to be left behind and out in the cold.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE.

Mr. Kelly Sayce:—Mr. Chairman,—It is not my intention to ask any particular questions but with your permission I propose to submit to this meeting a few observations on the report and statement of accounts as presented to us to-day. I have no doubt that the result of last year's working is as disappointing to you, gentlemen of the Board, as it is to the general body of shareholders, but like all other concerns engaging in any kind of trade we must be prepared for periods of depression and take the good with the bad. There is, however, a feeling among a large number of shareholders that the loss should not have been as large as it is.

The opinion also prevails that a good deal of capital expenditure has been unwisely spent and should have been avoided. At the meeting last year the Chairman in the course of his speech said that: "The past year makes the third in succession in which companies like ours have had to labour under trying circumstances, in fact the year 1924 was even much more difficult than the two previous ones. This is of course largely due to the continued depressed state of affairs in shipping," from which will be seen that neither the Board nor the management could be said to have been taken unawares by a sudden turn of the tide, for we have it on the authority of the chairman that for three years in succession "companies like ours have had to labour under trying circumstances."

Common prudence therefore should have dictated the cutting down of capital outlay on a large scale, at any rate, until such time as a change for the better was observable. Instead of that however the enormous sum of \$5,500,000 has been spent by our company during the very period stated by our Chairman last year to have been one of continued depression. That is to say, a sum of money nearly equalling double our total capital has been borrowed and sunk into extensions or alterations to our property admittedly unproductive, with the result that we are now saddled with very heavy payments of interest which we cannot earn. I am sure shareholders will agree with me that if a private person conducted his business on such unsound principles, he would very soon find himself in the Bankruptcy Court and I fear that unless a change in our policy is made, and made soon, we shall not be very far from the hands of the Official Receiver ourselves. I think shareholders have every reason to question the policy of the present management that has brought our company to such a pass by its unwise and unproductive capital outlay on such a stupendous scale. "ECONOMICALLY UNSOUND."

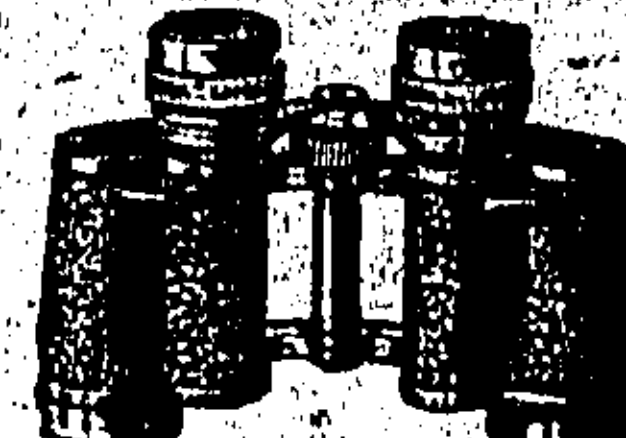
To sink these sums of money into something that may at some time in the indefinite future prove profitable is open to question, but to do so on borrowed money seems to me to be the height of unwisdom and economically unsound. It is earnestly to be hoped therefore that the Board will call a halt to all future borrowing.

I would also urge the serious attention of the Board of Direc-

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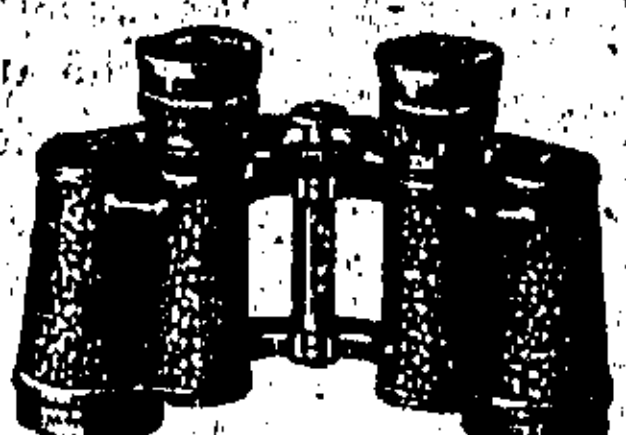


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tors, who after all are the custodians of the shareholders' property, to carefully review the manner in which the business of the company has been conducted especially during the period mentioned by me, and to consider whether the time has not come for a radical change in the working and policy of the Company. (Applause.)

PREMATURE.

The Chairman:—With reference to Mr. Kelly Sayce's comments, I notice that he was one of the shareholders who requested the appointment of a Committee of Investigation. I think it is rather difficult for a shareholder to criticise the interior working and management of the company without having investigated it in person. No doubt when the Committee of Investigation have enquired into it with all the books and information at their disposal they will be in a position to say whether the Directors have mismanaged the Company's business or not as is suggested. Meanwhile, until the report is received the matter can be left as it stands. (Applause.)

BUSINESS MATTERS.

Mr. Ho Leung proposed and Mr. Kelly Sayce seconded the resolution as directors of Sir Paul Chater and Mr. T. G. Weill. This was carried.

Mr. D. G. M. Bernard was confirmed in his appointment as a member of the Board on the proposition of Mr. Croucher, seconded by Mr. J. M. Alves.

It was proposed by Mr. G. W. Swell, seconded by Mr. Lang and carried, that Messrs. Lowe, Ringham and Matthey and Messrs. Percy Smith, Bith and Fleming be re-elected as auditors for the ensuing year at a remuneration of \$1,500 each.

This was all the business of the meeting.

Visiting the British Monarch stall at the British Industries Fair at the White City, Shepherd's Bush, the Prince of Wales was prevailed upon to adopt a monogram. It will be "BM/EP." That, on an envelope, with "London" added, will find H.R.H. from any part of the world. The Prince made a tour of the exhibition and stopped at several stalls, asked questions with the salesmen and saleswomen, and gave practical demonstration of the sincerity of his advice to buy British goods by ordering a number of articles for himself.

HOSPITAL CASE.

WEEK-END CASUALTIES.

A Chinese woman has been sent to the Kwong Wah Hospital suffering from cut wounds on the face inflicted by two men, armed with daggers, who attacked her.

After inflicting injuries to the head of a Chinese woman, which necessitated her removal to the Kwong Wah Hospital, a married woman has absconded.

When a Chinese woman fell down some stairs at 4, Wah Hing Lane, she was hurt in the head, and was removed to the Government Civil Hospital.

A Chinese woman, said to have been bitten by a brown dog owned by a Chinese living at 71, Laichok Road, has been sent to the Kwong Wah Hospital. The dog has been sent to Kennedy Town.

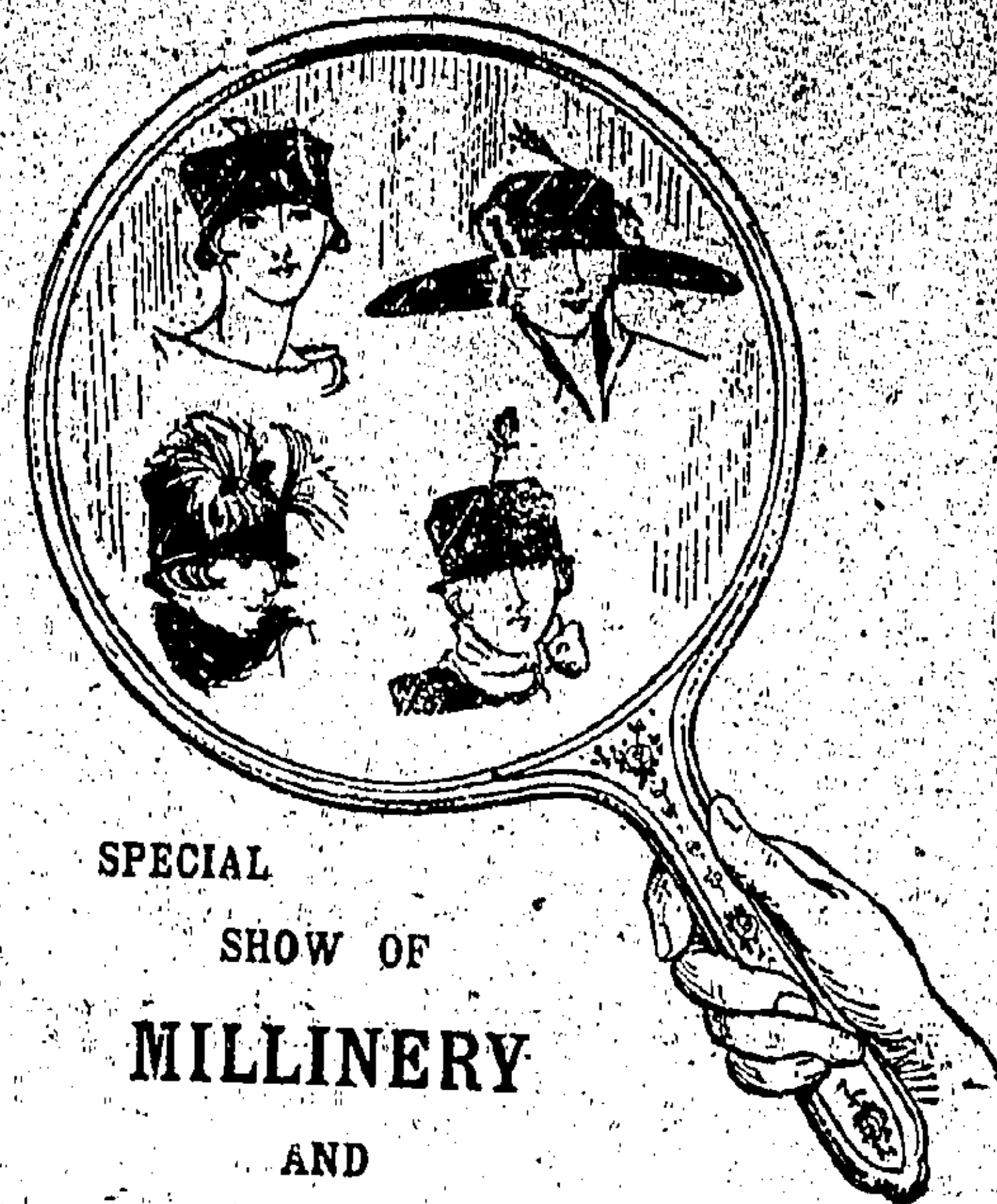
Said to have been assaulted by four unknown men on the Tsun Wan Road, a Chinese has been sent to the Kwong Wah Hospital.

After being knocked down by motor bus No. 1188, in Gascoigne Road, a Chinese woman was sent to the Kwong Wah Hospital. The driver has been detained.

Great interest is evinced in shipbuilding circles in Great Britain as to the outcome of the tenders submitted by eight leading firms for the re-engining and re-boiling of the Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Australia. This vessel—formerly the German-built Tirpitz—surrendered to Britain under the provisions of the Treaty of Versailles—is at present fitted with a machinery installation which comprises the following: hydraulic reduction gear and a set of water-tube boilers and it is the intention of the Canadian Pacific Company, it is stated, to have these replaced by single reduction geared turbines of 21,000 s.h.p., with 200 deg. superheat, and a range of 14 Scotch single-ended boilers. Under the existing arrangement neither the turbines nor the propellers have, we learn, been operating at economical speeds, and hence the decision of the owners to adopt measures which are undoubtedly of the heroic order. The tenders for this big job were delivered in London on February 1st and the outcome is being awaited with keen interest in marine engineering circles.

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PLAY AND PLAYERS.

SURREYS AND KOWLOON REACH SHIELD FINAL.

[BY "WANDERER."] Kowloon and the East Surreys

qualified for the final of the Hongkong F. A. Shield Competition on Saturday, repeating the history of the competition in season 1922-23, when after two strenuous games, both going into extra time, the Surreys won by the odd goal. Kowloon on April 10th, will be making their fourth successive appearance in the final of the Shield. They were winners in 1922-23 and 1924-25. The other semi-finalists, the Police and the Club de Recreo, were beaten by superior sides. The Chinese junior teams were both favoured by luck on Saturday. In the "A" Division, the Dru had a distinct advantage throughout their game with South China "A" but had to be content with a point achieved as the result of a goalless draw. South China "C" playing St. Joseph's Reserve were well held until the stroke of time when a goal came their way following a free-kick.

Full results are appended:

Senior Shield Competition Semi-finals.	
Surreys	4 Recreo
Kowloon	3 Police
Division II. "A."	
S. China "A"	0 Dru
Division II. "B."	
S. China "C"	1 St. Jos. Res.

A SPLENDID RECOVERY.

SURREYS TOO GOOD FOR RECREO.

Showing no signs of distress at an interval deficiency of two goals, inconsistent with the run of the play, the Surreys played up splendidly in the second half of their Shield tie with the Club de Recreo, and gaining equalising goals within fifteen minutes of the restart, eventually ran out good winners by four goals to two.

If anything specific could be put down as the cause of the Recreo's failure to maintain their initial advantage, it was their reckless kicking under pressure, for although consistent placing into touch served to upset the combination of the Surreys forward line in the opening half, after the interval many corners were conceded, and the third and fourth goals were the direct result of goal-line concessions.

The Recreo, too, were not over-scrupulous where tackling was concerned, and the ordering off of Ogley came as a climax to very dangerous play by this player. He thought fit after the Surreys had secured their equalising goals, to indulge in an argument with the referee over some trivial point, and watched the remainder of the game from the stand. In the first half Ogley had been cautioned for a particularly bad foul on Hummerstone when that player looked likely to break through.

Big kicking by the Recreo defence constituted the chief source of danger to the Surreys' goal for the nippy Recreo forwards were quick to get the ball under control and invariably took the shortest line to Douglas. Cooper and Jordan were however in splendid form, the former getting through a tremendous amount of work in the course of the afternoon, without once making any serious mistake, and always without apparent effort.

Butler and Mackleworth led the majority of raids on the Recreo goal and only extremely bad luck and sometimes poor shooting prevented Hummerstone and Cheeseman from taking toll of the opportunities presented. The Surrey half-back line played consistently well, rendering able assistance, but it was their policy of following up the attack—this is not to suggest that it was not the right policy—after placing their goal in jeopardy when a hefty kick sent the Recreo forwards on the move.

The first goal came some 25 minutes after the start when fol-

lowing good work by Charlesworth and an abortive corner at the Recreo end, Remedios sent hard up the field to Gosano, who headed Fuertes lying well up unmarked. The right winger, the Recreo's most dangerous forward, who kept Jordan on tenterhooks throughout, sent in a fast centre which Rocha took first time with the side-foot and easily defeated Douglas from short range.

The Surreys endeavoured to equalise failed before a robust defence, though Fernandes brought off some very clever saves from all three inside forwards, and finally Brown secured on the left and his centre passed over Douglas's head and wormed its way under the bar at the right hand side of the net.

THE SECOND HALF. Very few minutes had elapsed in the second moiety when Hummerstone reduced the arrears from a pass by Cheeseman. It came following a corner when Hummerstone standing some eighteen yards out lobbed over the heads of a crowd in the goalmouth defeated Fernandes who was out of place. For many minutes the Recreo lost grip, and the Surreys did much as they liked. With two backs standing on the half-way line, the Surreys were not long in getting on level terms. Hummerstone placed neatly to the unmarked Butler, who drove in hard, the ball striking the underside of the cross-bar, and bouncing to the back of the net off the heels, of Fernandes, who was, as far as I could see standing on the goal-line.

The Recreo played up more strongly after the second reverse, but following good combination which split danger to the Recreo goal, Ogley was ordered off and the Recreo relied on four forwards for the rest of the match. The Surreys again netted when Hummerstone put the ball forward, Fernandes fell in an endeavour to save, and Hummerstone running on put the finishing touch to the ball. The point was disallowed though the infringement was rather obscure.

McGreavy headed through from a corner, and Butler made no mistake when he received close, if from the centre-half after: Charlesworth had placed a corner award very cleverly. Throughout the Surreys played the better type of football. The backs were in excellent form against a speedy attack, and Cooper, who has been playing wonderfully well of late, was the best defender on view. Against the dangerous Brown-Rocha wing he had much work to get through, and he came through the ordeal with flying colours.

McGreavy's height stood him in good stead in a game where the ball was much in the air, and until he was crippled by a kick on the ankle, he held Gosano pretty close. Bristowe had all his work cut out to deal with Fuertes but things were easier when Ogley was ordered off and in the last twenty-five minutes he formed a sixth member of the Surreys' attack. Kidd seems to have settled down at right half.

Charlesworth did much good work, but he failed lamentably on other occasions. The sticky ground rendered him no assistance and worrying defence gave him little scope. Cheeseman was clever in all his midfield play but shot poorly and the left wing was the most dangerous of the two. Hummerstone took the brunt of a robust defence without flinching, but he was not in one of his best shooting moods, albeit the ball did not come to him in the easiest possible manner.

The outstanding players on the Club de Recreo side were Fernandes, Xavier, Remedios (A.A.) Fuertes, Gosano and Brown.

WORTHY WINNERS.

KOWLOON DEFEAT POLICE.

For the first ten minutes of the semi-final tie at Sookumpeo, the Police had much the better of the exchanges and had there been a man in the forward line with a shooting boot they might have held the all-important early lead. As it was Johnson struck the post and other balls went narrowly by.

FANLING HUNT.

On Friday, 2nd April, hounds will meet at Mr. Potts' bungalow at 10.45 a.m. There will be no other meet this week owing to the Races at Happy Valley on Saturday, and at Fanling on Monday.

ENGLISH CUP.

THE FINALISTS.

London, March 27. In the English Cup Semi-finals, Manchester City beat Manchester United 3-0 at Sheffield. Bolton beat Swansea 3-0 at Tottenham.

PAY ON DELIVERY.

NEW BRITISH POST OFFICE FACILITIES.

Rugby, March 28. Post Office arrangements are now complete for opening up a cash on delivery postal system in Britain to-morrow.

Under this system parcels, containing goods up to a value of £40 may be posted at any money order office for any address in Great Britain and the value will be collected by the Post Office authorities and remitted to the sender, an extra fee according to the value of the goods being charged.—British Wireless.

EXCHANGE RATES.

Rugby, March 27. To-day's exchange rates are as follows:

Paris	141/2
Brussels	122/2
Amsterdam	121/2
Berlin	20/2
Copenhagen	18/2
Vienna	34/5
Helsingfors	19/3
Lisbon	23/3/4
Buenos Aires	44/7/10
Shanghai	21/1/2
Yokohama	1/10/5
New York	48/3/4
Geneva	120/1
Milan	120/1
Stockholm	12/12
Oslo	22/6
Prague	184/4
Madrid	34/5/5
Rio	71/3/2
Hongkong	1/5/63/64
Silver (spot)	2/3/5
Silver (forward)	30/5/16

Apart from this early period however, the Police rarely conveyed the impression that they were likely to upset general calculations, and Kowloon put three goals past Clark before a solace came in the way of a goal from the foot of McEwen in the last few minutes.

Kowloon scored their first goal when Sims converted a penalty award for hands against Britain. Clark dived at full length to save a shot from the centre-forward on a subsequent occasion but his goal fell again before the interval when confusion in the Police defence resulted in Spary tipping the ball past Harle, who had taken up a position on the goal-line to cover Clark.

Kowloon who had not played well enough to merit a substantial interval lead, displayed considerable improvement in the second half, and only magnificent goalkeeping by Clark kept the scoring down. Sims was the scorer. He turned a centre by Hayes past Clark from close range.

The outstanding player on the field was Read at left back, and with McKelvie also in good form, the Police right wing, Cornwall and McEwen was effectively held. Read's interceptions did much to break up any attempt at combination on the part of the Police forwards. He covered mistakes by Cavellie, and covered Guest, (who played vice Wheeler, indisposed), capably. The defence was not hard-worked after the interval.

Sims was the only forward who really impressed, though both wings showed improvement after the interval.

THE ENGLISH CUP FINAL.

Manchester City and Bolton Wanderers gained decisive wins on Saturday and qualified for the final of the F. A. Cup to be played at Wembley on April 24th. It is interesting to note that on the only other occasion on which the City reached the Final, their opponents were Bolton Wanderers and Manchester won by the only goal of the match. Bolton have reached the final three times previously but their only success was in 1922-23, the first year of the Wembley Stadium when they defeated West Ham by two goals to nil.

HOME FOOTBALL.

LEAGUE RESULTS.

Division I.

Blackburn Rovers	1	West Ham	0
Bury	2	Arsenal	0
Cardiff	0	Leeds	0
Everton	3	Notts C.	0
Huddersfield	5	Aston V.	1
Sunderland	3	Leicester C.	0
West Bromwich	0	Liverpool	3

Huddersfield	35	20	10	5	81	49	50
Arsenal	34	13	7	9	72	52	43
Sunderland	35	18	6	11	83	64	42
Bury	35	17	4	14	75	73	38
Sheffield U.	35	15	7	13	86	72	37
Everton	37	10	17	10	65	65	37
Blackburn	37	13	10	14	76	70	36
Manch. U.	32	15	6	11	52	53	36
Liverpool	34	12	11	11	58	50	35
Aston Villa	34	12	11	11	69	64	35
Newcastle	34	12	10	12	68	63	34
Leicester	37	13	8	16	64	71	34
Tottenham	35	13	8	14	67	66	34
Bolton	31	14	5	12	62	60	33
West Brom.	35	12	8	15	65	65	32
Birmingham	35	13	6	16	56	66	32
Cardiff	34	13	6	15	50	64	32
Leeds U.	35	12	7	10	57	65	31
West Ham	35	13	5	17	56	67	31
Notts City	35	10	7	18	45	58	27
Burnley	34	9	9	16	64	92	27
Manch. City	34	8	10	16	73	85	26

Division II.

Barnsley	0	Middlesboro	1
Blackpool	0	Stoke	0
Bradford	1	S. Shields	1
Chelsea	3	Wolverhampton	3
Clapton Orient	1	Portsmouth	1
Darlington	3	Wednesday	1
Derby C.	3	Fulham	1
Notts F.	2	Stockport	0
Port Vale	3	Preston	0
Southampton	3	Oldham	1

Wednesday	35	21	5	9	76	45	47
Derby C.	34	20	6	8	66	36	47
Chelsea	34	16	11	7	70	42	43
Port Vale	34	18	4	12	71	53	40
Swansea	32	17	5	10	65	46	39
South S'ids	36	17	5	14	64	53	39
Middlesboro	36	19	1	16	69	59	39
Oldham	34	16	6	12	60	50	38
Wolves	34	15	6	13	59	51	36
Blackpool	35	14	8	13	65	61	36
Portsmouth	35	14	8	13	67	67	36
Hull City	33	13	8	12	52	44	34
Preston	35	15	4	16	60	77	34
South'pton	35	13	6	16	56	55	32
Darlington	36	12	8	16	61	61	32
Barnsley	34	10	11	13	50	61	31
Bradford C.	34	11	9	14	38	51	31
Fulham	33	9	8	16	38	67	26
Clapton	33	9	7	17	42	54	25
Stoke	34	9	7	18	42	67	25
Notts For.	33	9	7	17	34	59	25
Stockport	35	6	8	21	40	81	20

Division III (South).

Aberdare	1	Swindon	2
Brentford	0	Bournemouth	3
Brighton	1	Exeter	2
Bristol C.	4	Gillingham	0
Palace	4	Charlton	0
Millwall	3	Q. P. R.	0
Northampton	2	Bristol R.	0
Northwich	2	Luton	0
Plymouth	3	Merthyr	0
Southend	4	Newport	0
Watford	0	Reading	1

Reading	35	20	9	6	59	40	49
Bristol City	35	19	9	7	59	35	47
Plymouth	34	19	7	8	59	35	47
Millwall	34	17	9	8	58	28	43
Brighton	34	17	6	11	72	59	40
Southend	34	17	3	14	67	55	37
Swindon	34	15	6	13	53	50	36
Gillingham	35	15	5	15	47	42	35
Northants	35	14	6	13	68	64	34
Luton	35	14	6	15	66	67	34
Aberdare	34	14	5	15	65	56	33
Bournemouth	34	13	7	14	51	73	33
Crystal P.	34	15	2	17	60	63	32
Watford	34	12	8	14	60	68	32
Newport	35	12	8	15	52	61	32
Merthyr	35	11	8	16	52	66	30
Northwich	35	11	8	16	48	60	30
Charlton	34	9	12	13	39	54	30
Brentford	34	13	4	17	57	77	30
Bristol Rov.	34	11	6	17	53	56	28
Exeter	34	10	6	18	53	60	26
Q. P. R.	35	5	8	22	30	68	18

Division III (North).

Ashington	1	Bradford	3
Barrow	0	Chesterfield	1
Coventry	1	Tranmere	2
Crewe	0	Halifax	1
Doncaster	2	Hartlepool	1
Lincoln	3	Accrington	1
Nelson	2	Walsall	0
New Brighton	5	Rotherham	1
Southport	6	Durham	1
Wigan	2	Grimsby	0
Wrexham	1	Reeddale	2

Bradford	35	22	6	7	79	36	50
Grimsby	34	20	8	6	75	35	48
Rochdale	35	21	5	9	80	50	47
Chesterfield	34	20	4	10	79	47	44
Nelson	34	16	8	10	79	47	44
Halifax	35	15	9	11	47	41	39
Hartlepool	35	16	6	13	69	64	38
Ashington	36	13	11	12	60	49	37
Doncaster	33	12	11	10	62	52	35
Crewe	34	15	5	14	55	54	35
Durham	35	15	4	16	55	62	34
Coventry	34	14	5	15	61	60	33
N. Brighton	33	14	4	15	57	61	32
Tranmere	33	14	4	15	56	74	32
Rotherham	34	13	6	15	53	77	32
Wigan	34	11	9	14	59	60	31
Accrington	34	14	3	17	63	83	31
Wrexham	34	10	9	15	56	74	29
Lincoln	34	12	5	17	57	72	29
Southport	34	8	10	16	51	67	26
Walsall	35	6	8	23	45	96	18
Barrow	35	6	2	27	43	82	14

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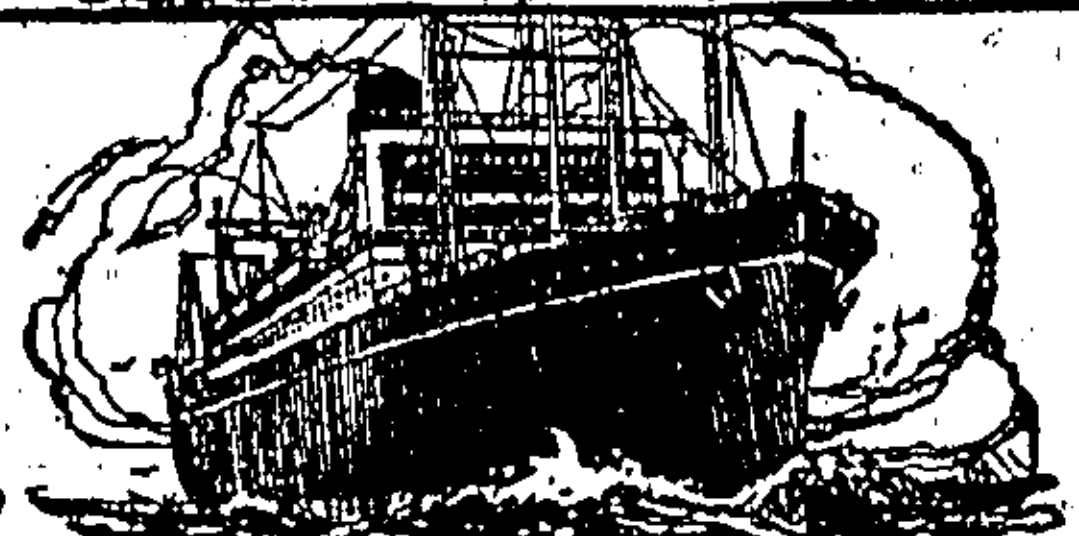
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Rome, March 27.
 The new law against political refugees is applied to the case of the ex-Socialist deputies Antonio Vacren, residing at New York and Angelo Tonello, living at Lugano.

The former is deprived of rights of Italian citizenship and his property confiscated for alleged systematic vilification of Italy in the United States, while Tonello loses his rights of citizenship and his property is sequestered for two years for allegedly conducting a venomous campaign against Fascism.—*Reuter.*

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Per Dollar Liner President Lincoln for San Francisco via ports, March 27.—Mr. G. A. Schuch, Mr. and Mrs. Carpenter, Miss Carpenter, Father T. Vander Scheuren, Mr. P. C. Wilson, Mr. Louis Sing, Mr. Leung Sing, Mr. Lay Kwong Sing, Mr. and Mrs. V. F. C. Maronier, Mr. G. H. Clegg, Mr. J. N. Clegg, Miss M. Parodi, Miss B. Parodi, Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Clark, Miss Helen Bark, Mr. E. W. Dwight, Mr. Yue Au Ting, Mrs. E. V. Forrest, Mr. Ericsson, Mr. J. E. Hill, Mr. J. A. T. Thomas, Mr. A. W. Gibson, Mrs. K. C. Sheng, Mr. Y. B. Kiang, Miss Alice Lee, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Royston, Mr. Chin Hung Hin, Mr. and Mrs. Blachman, Mr. R. M. Nino, Mr. Chan Hing Fu, Mr. J. A. Youloff, Mr. G. G. Jorge, Mr. R. Crichton, Mr. N. A. Ehlers, Miss K. Fahs, Mrs. E. A. Fay, Mr. F. A. Fay, Mr. E. A. Moon, Mr. Martin Wiedemann, Mrs. A. R. Whitmore, Miss P. A. Whitmore, Mrs. M. C. Morgan, Miss E. Chamberlain, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Fowler, Mr. L. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. B. Wardman, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Creveling, Mrs. C. C. Crist, Mr. L. C. Rhodes, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Pittman, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. W. Gill, Miss P. Paru, Mr. E. W. Kopke, Mr. J. P. Kopke, Mr. Z. Bartlett, Mr. G. L. Austin, Mr. J. Austin, Mr. A. T. Gillespie, Mrs. T. N. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Harrison and Rev. and Mrs. H. Goodale.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

HEAVY SELLING CONTINUES.

New York, March 28.
 The Stock Market average price of twenty pivotal industrials sank to new low levels for the year as another stream of liquidation poured out and aggressive bear selling caused heavy sellings on weakened marginal accounts. The market closed with heavy sales which totalled over a million.—*Reuter's American Service.*

THE TROUBLE IN SYRIA.

TANKS IN ACTION.

Paris, March 28.
 It is reported from Beirut that on the environs of Damascus a French column, while proceeding from Sednaya to Nive encountered a hostile convoy.
 Tanks preceding the column engaged a powerful body of rebels at Barze, killing thirty.—*Reuter.*

London, Feb. 18.—A dramatic incident occurred at the British Industries Fair, at the White City, when the King, after learning that the typewriters used in Government offices were of foreign manufacture, asked Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister (President of the Board of Trade), if British typewriters were used by other Governments why they were not used by our own. Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister replied that the question would be examined: The King remarked "It is scandalous. I will personally see that the matter is enquired into." Mr. Ronald MacNeil declared in the House of Commons later that British typewriters were inferior to American. It is reported that the British Government is now testing the efficiency of British machines.

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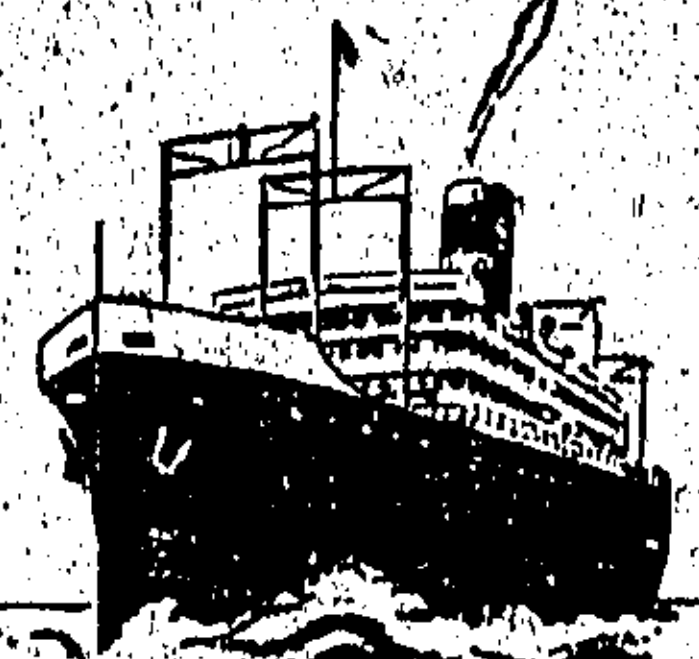
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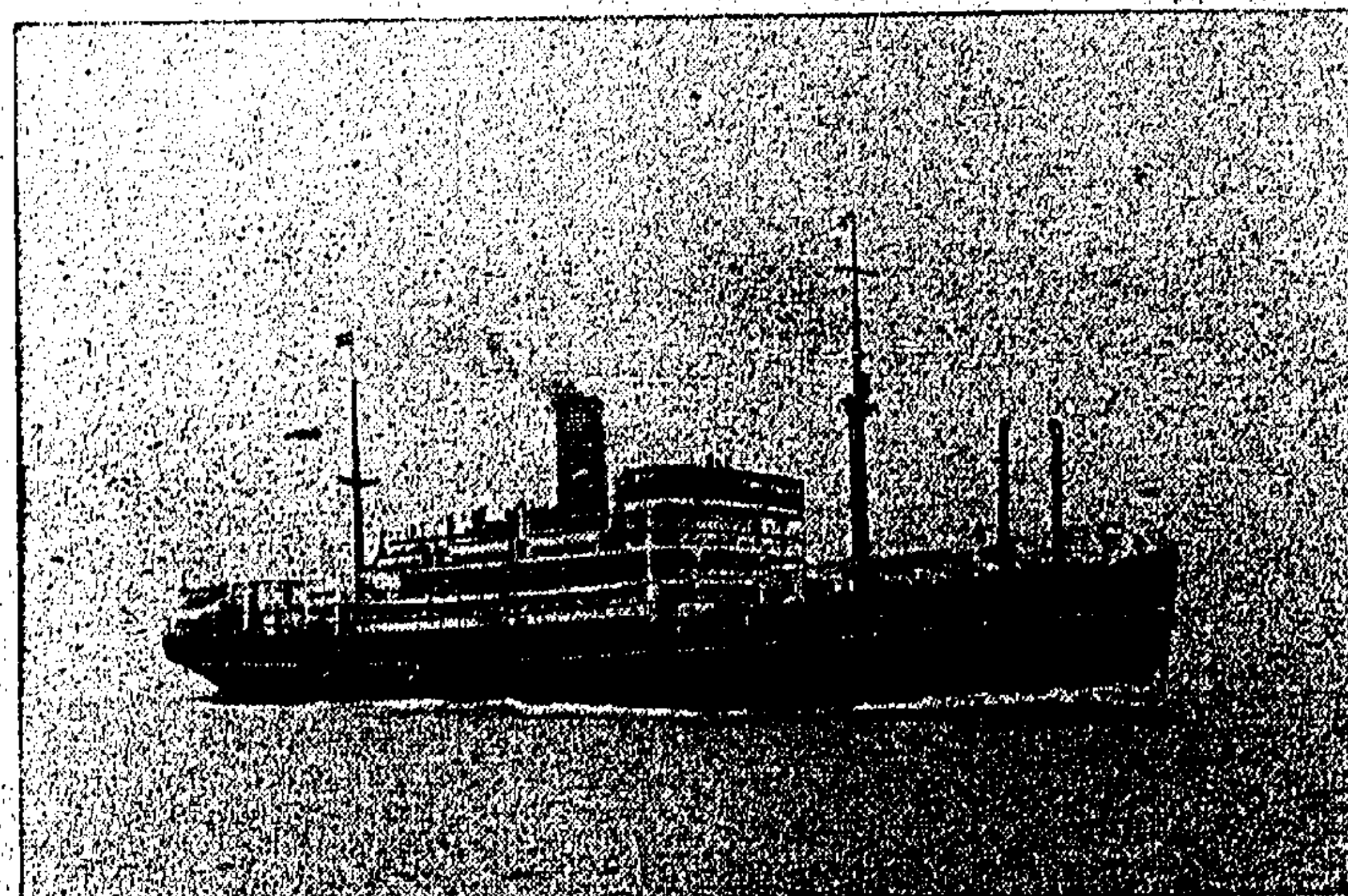
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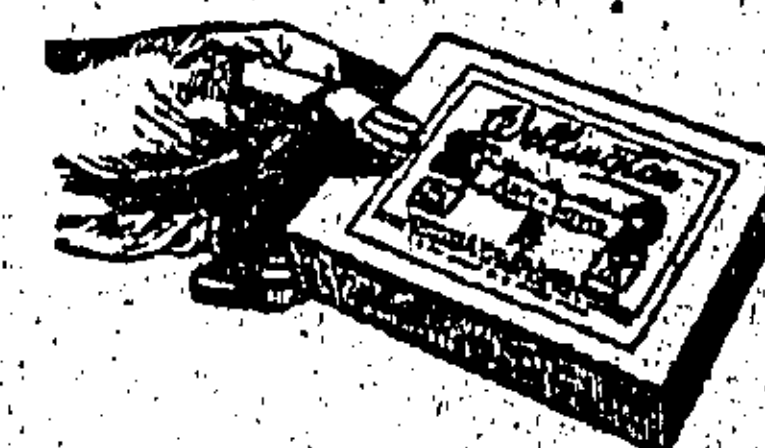


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REIGN OF TERROR.

**HOW BOLSHIEVISM WORKS IN
HONAN.**

Sinyangchow, March 10.—
Reuter's correspondent, during a
journey from Hsinyangchow to
Chengchow and back saw many of
the so-called Red Spears, who are
reported to have killed General
Yueh Wei-chun, the Kuominchun
Tupan of Honan. They are just
country folk, armed with weapons
of all descriptions from old match-
locks to meat axes, but all carry
a spear of home manufacture from
six to seven feet long with a tuft
of red material affixed to it.
They make extravagant claims
to the share they have had in
Marshal Wu Pei-fu's victories but
these should be taken with a grain
of salt. They are probably quite
good at defending their villages
against bandits but as a military
force they are at present of no
value except possibly for scouting
purposes.

The Kuominchun in their re-
treat from Honan appeared to
have little fight left in them after
the fall of Kaifeng.
They abandoned most of their
heavy artillery, the largest of
which were 75's. There were, all
told, 15 of these guns abandoned
and many others down to a bat-
tery of mountain guns.
After the fall of Chengchow,
General Yueh Wei-chun's forces
were reduced to 20,000 men and
there seemed nothing possible for
these but surrender as their re-
treat was cut off.

Tired of Bolshevism.
At the beginning of the struggle
in Honan, the Kuominchun is re-
ported to have had 12 divisions
of trained troops in the province
against Marshal Wu's four, but
many of the Kuominchun were
apparently tired of "Red" rule and
were glad to surrender at the first
opportunity.

The inhabitants of Chengchow
had lived under a reign of terror
for several weeks before the flight
of the Kuominchun.
It had been quite impossible for
anyone, foreign or Chinese, to
leave his house after dark. What
the native inhabitants suffered is
past belief. Robbery and sheer
wanton murder are said to have
been so common as to pass almost
unnoticed. The citizens declare
that not to proclaim loudly
adherence to Bolshevism was
tantamount to signing one's own
death warrant, while to carry a
bundle which looked as though it
might contain something loatable
was equivalent to an invitation to
any passing soldier to shoot you.

People were shot for their
clothes on their backs and not
only shot but mutilated in a
shocking manner.

The literature supplied to the
Kuominchun troops was Bolshe-
vism pure and simple. Many
thousands of booklets were taken
from the prisoners captured and
many of the arms in their posses-
sion are also stated to have been
manufactured in Soviet Russia.

A PROPHET OF DOOM.

ONE OF "ELECT" FORETELLS
TRIALS FOR MANKIND.

Tokyo, March 5.—"A vision of
loveliness in the form of a
Japanese maiden appeared to me
when I was in Australia and
beckoned to me. So here I am in
Japan," declared the Rev. Mr.
James Hightett to the vernacular
press. Mr. Hightett will be re-
membered as having "prophesied"
dire tragedies and cataclysms for
all mankind within the next few
years.

He now declares that Japan will
sink into the ocean and that there
will be a terrible world war, far
worse than the last one, within
twenty-three years. Then, he
says an island Paradise will
appear in the Pacific and here
only the "elect" will be permitted
to live. Mr. Hightett claims that
he is one of the "elect."

Part of the European continent
will also be submerged, according
to this Prophet of Doom, who goes
on to say that the same thing will
affect America. "As a matter of
fact," he declared, "I know New
York is slowly sinking."

Mr. Hightett will remain in
Japan for a month or so and then
proceed to China and India, where,
it is to be expected, he will con-
tinue to warn people of the dire
fate in store for all mankind.

The King and Queen have taken
the Royal box for the season at
the Royal Opera, Covent Garden.

NEW Y.M.C.A.

**TOKYO BUILDING COST
Y.1,600,000.**

A new building of the Tokyo
Y. M. C. A. to cost Y1,600,000 will
be erected on the present site
covering 2,500 taubo of land at
Mitoshirocho, Kanda, before
January of 1927. This was decid-
ed at the meeting of the executive
committee of the Board of Recon-
struction of the Tokyo Y.M.C.A.,
held recently at the Kogyo Club,
Marunouchi, Tokyo, on Wednesday
afternoon.

Twenty two prominent men in-
cluding Viscount Shibusawa, Baron
Sakatani, Governor Hiratsuka of
Tokyo and others were present at
the meeting.

According to the plan of con-
struction for the new building
which was sanctioned by the
executive officers of the Y.M.C.A.,
it will be a 6 story iron reinforced
concrete modern building with a
basement covering an area of
2,500 taubos. It will have an
auditorium on the ground floor,
providing seats for 2,000 persons;
21 class-rooms on the 3rd floor;
a laboratory on the 4th floor; 4
social rooms on the ground floor;
3 dining halls in the basement;
7 rooms for children, 2 libraries,
and 2 conference rooms on 2nd
floor; and 87 rooms on the 6th
floor, all of which will be fully
equipped with up-to-date accom-
modations modelled after various
leading Y.M.C.A. buildings in the
United States.

The American supporters of the
work of Dr. J. R. Mott, General
Secretary of Y.M.C.A. in America
contributed Y2,000,000 for the
construction work, half of which
was already spent on the recon-
struction work of the Tokyo
Imperial University and the tem-
porary building of the Tokyo
Y. M. C. A. The remaining
Y1,000,000 will be used for the
new building according to the
above plan. The Executive Com-
mittee of the Tokyo Y.M.C.A.
Reconstruction have decided to
raise Y600,000 which will be added
to the American endowment,
making Y1,600,000 in all.

Besides the main building, there
will be a new gymnasium covering
an area of 140 taubos at a cost of
Y195,000 which will be built at the
back of the main building by Sep-
tember this year. It will be a 3
story iron reinforced concrete
building, consisting of 2 depart-
ments, having 2 physical training
rooms, a swimming pool accommo-
dating 200 persons, a running
track, a shower bath and a
Japanese bath room, boxing,
fencing, wrestling, basket-ball,
volley ball facilities and various
meeting rooms.

When the new Tokyo Y.M.C.A.
building is completed, the officers
in charge say that it will be the
largest Y.M.C.A. in the Far East.

A memorial window is to be
placed in the Parish Church, Tip-
ton, Staffs, to William Rock Small,
who at the time of his death, was
the oldest bell ringer in England.
He had been a ringer for 60 years.

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man in America who has
capitalized on his follies.

GOLF TALK.

**A QUESTION OF
HANDICAPPING.**

A correspondent, says Mr.
James Braid, writes to ask if I
can explain exactly what is meant
by a phrase which he saw recently
in a newspaper:—"Sunningdale
handicapping." I think it is pos-
sible to enlighten him.

The term refers to a rather
entertaining way of ensuring a
close match when two players are
of very different degrees of ability
—one perhaps, about scratch and
the other long handicap—and do
not fancy the ordinary system of
giving and receiving strokes at
prescribed holes. Certain it is
that, under this latter method, the
inferior golfer often finds that he
does not secure full value for his
strokes. Some of them are
wasted, because he loses the holes
so badly that his allowance at
them is of no avail.

Precisely why Sunningdale, an
important and serious-minded
club, is held to be the sponsor of
the scheme to which my corres-
pondent refers I do not know.
Anyhow, the name serves.

The idea is that the player who
is "up" has to concede at the hole
which is about to be played a
number of strokes corresponding
to the number of holes by which
he is leading. Thus, if he wins
the first hole, he has to give a
stroke at the second. If he
secures the second hole as well,
he has to give two strokes at the
third. It stands to reason that he
cannot go on for long piling up
penalties for himself and carry-
ing them successfully.

If by some wizardry he wins the
first five holes in spite of the fact
that he has given an extra stroke
at every succeeding hole, the sum
total of his performance must be
to land him in an awkward pre-
dicament for he has to concede
five strokes at the sixth.

Assuming that he loses the
sixth and has his lead reduced to
four, he still has to give four
strokes at the seventh.

Certainly you could not very
well have a one-sided match under
this principle of handicapping.
Personally I am rather chary of
these contests in which, the longer
the lead you obtain, the more you
have to give your rival. The idea
looks all right on paper. If you
run right away from your
opponent at an early stage you
ought to be able to increase your
concession to him if you are so
far animated with the sporting
spirit that you want to engage
in a close finish. Only you are
apt to be caught, as I was once
by an amateur in Yorkshire.

I was 6 up on him at the turn.
I had arranged to give him a
stroke a hole all the way round,
and, in addition as many bisques
coming home as I stood holes up
at the 19th. Thus I had a pretty
mill-stone round my neck for the
homeward half, and only just
managed to finish all square.

Four Ball Matches.

Another correspondent inquires
as to whether I think four-ball
matches are—as so many critics
declare—bad for one's golf.

I have nothing to say against
the four-ball match when those
who take part in it are skilful and
experienced players who know
their own powers and are not like-
ly to be misled by what happens,
but I am sure it is a hindrance
to less advanced golfers. When
it is played the best way is for
the two persons constituting a
side to decide between themselves
from time to time when one shall
attempt a brilliant shot in the
hope of winning the hole, while
the other shall play steadily with
the object of ensuring at least a
half.

This form of tactics is very
seldom introduced; as a rule, each
of the four participants ploughs
a more or less lonely furrow until
the putting green is reached;
whereupon everybody concerned
reckons in the terms of having
"this for a 4," or whatever the
figure may be. There is scope
for real co-operation in the four-
ball match, but very little advan-
tage is taken of it.

For the moderate player, prob-
ably the worst form of practice is
the four-ball match. It is more
likely than any other kind of con-
test to induce him to attempt
things that are impossible to him
and also to cause him to depend
upon a partner instead of upon
himself. The medium-handicap
golfer who constantly takes part
in four-ball matches is not, I
think, such a sturdy rival as the
man who engages chiefly in
singles. He is not so self-
reliant, and frequently he is lack-
ing entirely in judgment when he
is in a tight corner, and that

quality would be of inestimable
value to him. He has become so
used to playing the shots in an
irresponsible frame of mind—
hoping that, if his efforts come to
nothing, his partner will retrieve the
situation—that he does not know
what to do when he has to
shoulder all the responsibilities.
Bisques—the system of giving
strokes wherever the recipient
may wish to take them instead of
at certain prearranged holes—are
creeping steadily into favour, but
no definite comparison between
the relative value of bisques and
ordinary strokes has yet been
established. As one can use
bisques anywhere, it follows that
the better golfer can concede
fewer of them than he can give
in strokes which have to be taken
at holes indicated on the score-
card and which may occur at
places where they are not needed.
But how many fewer? My
experience is that where the
players are fairly evenly matched,
the one with the shorter handicap
should give half the number of
bisques that he would concede in
strokes. Thus, if the ordinary
allowance were six strokes, he
might give three bisques. Where,
however, a great disparity exists
between the players, the short-
handicap man can usually give a
larger proportion of bisques.
Thus, if he would have to concede
16 strokes in the ordinary way, he
should be able to give ten bisques.
If I were in receipt of bisques,
I would use them early if they
would win holes. The temptation
to keep them up one's sleeve for
a close finish may be strong, but
often it is fatal. I once played a
man who, through not spending
some bisques early enabled me to
keep level with him. We arrived
on the last teeing ground all even.
He then had four bisques in hand.
But from his tee shot he lost his
ball and with it the match. That
was a lesson to him, which he did
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